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Hundreds Miss Train To Watch Butch

At least 116 Wilmington fans missed the six o'clock train, Sunday night, when they remained in the Boston Garden to watch the final race of the Silver Skates Derby, in which Leon "Butch" Backman was entered. Arrangements had been made to have extra cars on the six o'clock train, and a special stop at Wilmington for the Wilmington fans. A large number of Wilmington people were on this train, according to B&M officials, but "Butch's" race was too much for many. They saw Butch come in, in third place, and they took the 7:15 home.

Butch won the preliminary race, during the qualifying race, with the very creditable time of 1 minute, 32 seconds, in a half mile race. In the final race of the day, which was held after 6 p.m., the time for a two-mile race was 5 minutes 49.5 seconds, won by John Norwood, of the Lynn Skating Club. Norwood was the second to actually cross the line, but the first man, Dick Ring, for whom the crowd was "rooting" was ruled out, on grounds that he had pushed. (Curiously, Norwood was ruled out, on the same grounds, a week ago, at Pittsfield, and as a consequence will not be allowed to compete in the North American Championship matches, to be held next Sunday in Pittsfield. The ruling against Ring came when an alternate referee stated that he had seen Ring push. The announcement was greeted with booing, from the crowd, and the final decision was not announced until late Sunday night.

Jean Ashworth, 15 year old high school student, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Ashworth of Church street was easily the star of the show, as far as speed skaters, among the fairer sex, were concerned. Jean

who is in the Junior Class, was competing in the Intermediate Class. Juniors include girls of 14 to 16, and Intermediates girls from 16 to 18, so that every girl against whom she raced was at least one year, and maybe three years older than herself. In the final race Jean displayed absolutely top form. She "broke" clean, and was immediately in the lead. Before more than a few laps had been skated, she had already "lapped" two of the other contestants, and when she crossed the finish line she was nearly one lap (1/16th mile) ahead of Penny Longsjo of Fitchburg, who placed second. Jean had passed the other contestants twice! Her time, for one half mile was one minute 34.5 seconds.

Nancy Weinberg, of North Wilmington was also in this class, but failed to come up with a show.

Details of the Races

The Silver Skates Derby consists of 102 events. This year there were over 600 contestants, of which 32 entered from Wilmington. Not all the Wilmington contestants actually appeared on the ice, however, the total number being 28.

In the men's senior, from Wilmington, besides Leon Backman was James Burke, who slipped during the qualifying trials, and failed to place. The only entry from Wilmington in the Boy's Intermediate failed to appear in the starting lineup.

Charles Cushing, in the Boy's Junior Derby, placed second in the first heat, of the qualifying race. He slipped, during the race, and seemed to be over anxious on the break. The other Wilmington contestant did not enter. Cushing fell during the semi-finals, and had to be helped from the ice.

Mighty Atoms

Wilmington had two Mighty Atoms, Leonard Galvin and Leo O'Connell, who placed second in the second heat. The Mighty Atoms always attract a lot of attention, and young O'Connell was a very certain young man, as he made his round of the 1/16 mile course. He was also in the final, although he did not place. (His picture appeared in the Boston Record).

Boys Juvenile

Five boys were in the qualifying trials for the Boys' Juvenile class, Warren McFeeters of No. Wilmington, in heat 1; William Rooney in heat 6; Paul Burke and Robert Kaszynski in heat 9 and Gerald Galvin in heat 10. McFeeters placed third, as did Rooney. Burke placed fourth, and Gerry Galvin, displayed very good form, won his heat. Both Gerry and Burke were in the third heat of the semi-final, in which Gerry came in in third place, and again, in the final Ger-

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THIRTEEN CANDIDATES FILE PAPERS

Thirteen candidates filed nomination papers, with the Board of Registrars, before the deadline of 5 p.m., Saturday afternoon.

Six are running for the two open positions on the Board of Selectmen, (three year terms). Those who filed are Charles H. Black, present chairman, 84 Church street, a candidate for re-election, E. Hayward Bliss, 28 Glen road, chairman of the Wildwood school building committee, Nicholas L. DeFelice, Commonwealth avenue, also on the Wildwood school building committee, James G. Duggan, Park street, Francis J. Haggerty, 5 Hathaway road, a member of the Board of Health, and Larz Neilson, 47 High street.

Filing for the two positions open on the school committee (three year terms) were Ernest M. Crispo, Hopkins street, a candidate for re-election, John F. Hartnett, 111 Woburn street, also a candidate for re-election, Grenfell K. Bickford, 6 Truman road, and John Joseph Slater, 28 Grove avenue.

For a one year term as moderator were Ralph R. Currier, present moderator, of 48 Boutwell street, and Atty. Simon Cutler, 43 Church street.

Only one person filed for the five year term on the Wilmington Housing Authority, James M. Pipes, 27 Chestnut street, now a member of that board.

Elections will be held on the first Saturday of March 6th.

EDDIE McLAUGHLIN SUFFERS NINE BROKEN RIBS

Edward (Eddie) F. McLaughlin, Hopkins street, is home from the St. John's hospital with nine broken ribs, suffered Sunday morning, in an accident at the corner of Hopkins street and Shawheen avenue. His father, James, 74, suffered three broken ribs, also on the left side, in the same accident, while injuries were sustained by other members of the family. Mrs. McLaughlin, 43, had contusions on the left side, as did Patricia, 13, Richard, 12, and Francis suffered cuts on their foreheads, but did not require hospitalization.

Occupants of the other car, including the driver, were also injured, Dante D'Allesandro, 93 Gray street, Billerica and his wife, Dorothy, 27, suffered cuts on the forehead, and his wife was also injured in the right leg, as the result of the accident. Their infant son, Joseph, was cut on the forehead.

Officers Arthur Kelly and Joseph Cuoco, who investigated, reported that the McLaughlin car, a beach wagon, was smashed on the left side, and the D'Allesandro car was damaged in front.

All the injured were taken to the office of Dr. Gerald Fagan for treatment, by James McLaughlin, proprietor of Jim's Variety store. The more seriously injured were taken to St. John's hospital, by McLaughlin.

SKATING CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHES IN PITTSFIELD, MASS. ON SUNDAY

Seven members of the Wilmington Skating Club will participate in the North American Championship Matches, to be held in Pittsfield, Mass., next Saturday and Sunday. At stake will be the outdoor speed skating championship titles, for all of North America.

Jean Ashworth, winner of the Intermediate division of the Silver Skates, Sunday, will compete as a Junior, the class in which she really belongs. Jean will be up against the toughest competition of her career, meeting the best skaters from all over the United States and Canada. She is rated as having a better than average chance to win the North American title.

Leon (Butch) Backman, one of the famous Flying Backman's is entered in the Intermediate class. Butch has not yet decided

fully as to whether or not he will appear. He prefers indoor contests, in which he believes he excels on the corners. His decision will be made known later.

Jackie Ashworth, younger sister to Jean, and Gertrude (Pudgy) Cushing are both entered in the Juvenile class.

Also in the Juvenile class for boys is Gerry Galvin. All three made a very good appearance in the Silver Skates last Sunday.

Charlie Cushing, Pudgy's brother, is entered in Junior Boys, the 14 to 15 year old class. He and his sister are members of the family of Larry Cushing, Wilmington public school director of Physical Education.

Michael Weinberg, 10, will be the youngest competitor from Wilmington. He will skate in the Midget Boys division.

GRANGE HEARS HIGH SCHOOL BAND

The regular meeting of the Wilmington Grange was held Wednesday evening with Overseer Jeannette Rocco as Master. Visitors were present from Woburn. After the short business session the Wilmington High School band entertained with a number of pieces. The Grange members enjoyed fine playing and were able to see the new uniforms of the band, which was playing for the first time since the uniforms have been purchased.

Refreshments were served after the band performance. The next meeting of the Wilmington Grange will be on Wednesday, February 10th, at 8 p.m. After the business session there will be costume party and dance.

P OF H NEWS

The regular meeting of the P of H Club was held Thursday at the home of Mary Starr. The hostess served a delicious dinner to ten members. The business session was in charge of vice-president Nellie Briggs. The next meeting will be on February 11th, at 1 p.m. at the home of Eva Fleming. Whist will be played and members are to donate the prizes.

NEW CITIZEN

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kelley, Shawheen avenue, have announced the birth of a son, their fifth child, (Martin Joseph), at Choate Memorial hospital, on January 20th.

GRANGE HALL CORP. TO HAVE WHIST

The Grange Hall Corporation will hold a whist party, on the 17th of February, at the home of Mrs. Margaret Calnan, on Wild avenue. All Grangers have been invited to take part.

CRAWFORD ELECTED IN HATHAWAY ACRES ASSO.

Ralph Crawford, Chase road, was elected chairman of the Hathaway Acres Association, in the annual meeting which took place on January 12th at the home of Robert Gunderson. At the same meeting, Mrs. Ruth Adams was elected Recording Secretary, and James Moore treasurer.

AIDS TO VICTORY MEETING POSTPONED

All meetings of the Aids to Victory have been postponed, for the month of February. The next meeting will be on March 2nd.

ENGAGEMENT OF MARION FOLEY

Mr. George A. Foley, Sr., 2 Blackstone street, has announced the engagement of his daughter, Marion Patricia, to William Nee, son of Mr. Michael Nee, of 20 Harris street. A June wedding is planned.

NEW CITIZEN

Mr. and Mrs. Webster, Hall announce the birth of a son, Mark Webster Hall, on January 20th at the Choate Memorial hospital in Woburn. The Hall's also have 3 daughters, Susan, 10; Nancy 7 and Deborah, 5.

Shortly after the turn of the century, petroleum supplied less than eight per cent of the nation's energy requirements; today, it supplies 62 per cent, and the end is not in sight.

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DEAN'S SWAN SONG

Dean Cushing is probably at his best when he can sit back and soliloquize. He did this for a moment at the selectmen's meeting, last Friday. By the nature of the talk we have called it Dean's Swan Song.

We of the Crusader have often agreed with our town manager, and as often disagreed. We have a lot of praise for the man, who has worked very hard for the things in which he believes.

In his swan song, Dean didn't discuss individual issues. Rather his talk was one of broad philosophy (although he probably did not intend to think of it as such.)

Dean, very rightfully, described himself as a man of many interests. He said that he was the type of town manager who liked to bring in new industries, and to have new challenges. In this, as we have said, he was right. In fact, we will characterize Dean as an "industrial salesman." In this he excelled, and it is for this reason, without a doubt, that Gloucester chose him.

In talking of the future, Dean said that Wilmington should now have a town manager who could sit down and take care of domestic problems. His words, of course, were not exactly like that, but that is what he implied. As Dean spoke, the thought, in his listeners, was that he was trying to say "Consolidate the gains!"

In fact, we believe that he was trying to tell the Selectmen, without putting it into so many words, as to the type of man that he thought Wilmington should have next. We will go further, and guess that Dean had his mind on a particular man, and that he was almost ready to name him, which however, he didn't.

We are sorry to see Dean go. We have enjoyed his company, and we know that Gloucester will never be the same, starting on the 8th day of February, in the year of our Lord, 1954.

RACING RULES

In the first place, it may truly be said that the Wilmington Crusader has no business criticising the rules of the Silver Skates Derby, in Boston. The Silver Skates Derby is, in one sense of the word at least, the exclusive property of the Hearst publications, of Boston. However, the Wilmington entries, and the Wilmington delegation are always very large, and there is no place that so loyally supports the Derby as does our town. Therefore we believe we can say a few words.

The officials are always very careful, in the earlier part of the contest, to see that the rules are observed. In yesterday's races, during the preliminaries, the contestants were repeatedly called back because someone slipped, before the first corner was made. That is the rule, and it is proper.

When the finals come up, (and the finals are pay-off) the Officials are not zealous. There were a number of cases in which we observed someone to slip, and there was no callback. It is perfectly true that the time was getting late, and people were anxious to get home, but the finals, of all races, are the ones that should have the strictest supervision.

We are not going to mention any cases except those of Wilmington. Last year Jean Ashworth, for the first time in her life, lost a race. She was, of course skating against girls two years older than herself, which is normal for Jean. One of the contestants slipped, at the break, and threw Jean off her stride. Because of that she started last. As everyone remembers, if the race had been three feet longer she would have won, but she didn't. There was no callback. Perhaps the judges and referees did not see the slip, but we did.

This year, in the Girl's Intermediate, the case was much more flagrant. Gertrude (Pudgy) Cushing not only slipped, but fell, at the break. She sat on the ice, as we saw it, expecting a recall. There was none, so Pudgy got up and started after the rest of the contestants. Her speed was very good, and she stood a fair chance to catch up, but when she fell a second time, she withdrew. It may be argued that a girl who fell twice has no reason to complain, but Pudgy is a very accomplished skater. The salient feature is the fact that when she fell the first time there should have been a recall, and there wasn't.

FLUORIDATION

Two years ago, the town voted \$1250 for fluoridation of its water supplies. That is as far as it went. Nothing has been done, because meanwhile, a battle has developed throughout the state on the wisdom of the idea. In a number of cities and towns there has been discussion, ranging all the way from newspaper tiffs to special balloting. As the result of special balloting, both other cities and Northampton have abandoned fluoridation, while other cities continue the practice.

The legislature has been the scene of more than one battle, and at the present time it has flamed anew, over a proposal for legislation to ban fluoridation of any water supplies in the state, with a provision of a \$500 fine for any person who attempted such a deed. Broadly speaking, the public health authorities in the state are in support of fluoridation, and various organizations are against the idea, including a very voluble Miss Florence M. Birmingham, president of a club known as the Massachusetts Women's Political Club.

Locally we have our debate too, but not as loudly. Again, broadly speaking, the public health group are in support, and opposition stems from several sources, including a few persons in the water department. All action within the town is in abeyance, pending a decision on Beacon Hill. If the Beacon Hill battle is ever settled, we may see something done here—but then again we may not—for there are those who contend that we cannot fluoridate our water as long as we sell to North Reading—at least until that town has had a vote.

Nothing of the above appeared on the floor of the special selectmen's meeting, Friday night, but we have explained the background in order that our reader may better understand what has happened.

Mr. Lyons enquired of the Town Manager as to the status of the \$1250 voted, and that gentleman told Lyons that everything was in abeyance until the dust had settled on Beacon Hill. Mr. Lyons, who seems to wish to keep things tidy, fiscally speaking, then proposed that the \$1250 be put to some other use, while the town was waiting for said dust on said hill to settle. The other selectmen agreed with Lyons that it would be nice, but they were afraid that the people of the town would not understand, and that any transferring of the \$1250 would start a battle locally. Rather than stir up such a battle, the others argued, it would be better to let the money sit still, even if it were doing no good in its present position. And that is the present status of the \$1250.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7 TO BEGIN YOUTH WEEK IN WILMINGTON METHODIST CHURCH

Youth Week will begin with the morning worship services on Sunday, February 7, in the Methodist Church. The Youth Emphasis will continue through Sunday, February 14.

In conjunction with Youth Week, the Rev. Richard E. Harding, will preach on the theme: "What Will You Have?" This topic is given in conjunction with the recent findings of the Juvenile Delinquency hearings in Boston and the alcohol problem as it relates to youth. The text for this sermon will be: "Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him to have a great millstone fastened round his neck and to be drowned in the depth of the sea."

As part of the total program a Junior Youth Fellowship of the fourth, fifth and sixth grades will begin on the afternoon of February 7 at 3 p.m. Parents are invited to attend this meeting. Mr. Harding will talk with them concerning the plans of the new youth group. On Wednesday evening, 6 p.m. The Woman's Society of Christian Service are giving the young people and their advisors and teachers and supper in their honor. All young people between the ages of nine and 23 are cordially invited to attend. After the supper the full length Hollywood produced movie: "Lost Boundaries" will be shown.

The services on Sunday, February 14 will climax youth week. Mr. Harding will preach on the subject: "Making the Church Make a Difference." He has announced that young people will in all the worship services connected with the weeks program.

CONGREGATIONAL

The church cabinet will meet at the parsonage on Thursday at 8 p.m. With the closing of the World Vision Institute, the regular young peoples' meeting will be held on Sunday night.

The new finance committee will meet at the home of Warren Willis next Tuesday at 8 p.m., to organize for the year and transact current business.

ALBERT FORD AT CAMP LEJEUNE

Albert C. Ford, of Marion street is now stationed at Camp Lejeune North Carolina. His address is PFC Albert C. Ford, USMC 1416115, S-2-10, 2nd Marine Division, FMF, Camp Lejeune, N. C.

FRED QUIGLEY ON USS ROANOKE

Fred Quigley, of Chestnut street is now serving on the USS Roanoke, light cruiser of the US Navy. His address is now Fred M. Quigley, SN. 501-24-90, K Div. USS Roanoke, CL 145, FPO New York, N.Y.

MOTHER'S MARCH COMMITTEE

The Mother's March committee of the March of Dimes has announced a complete roster of the names of the ladies who helped to make the March a success in Wilmington. Included in the list is Mrs. William Sussanberger, chairman, Margaret Imbimbo, Isabel Foley, Mrs. Arnold Blake, Gertrude Sawyer, Victoria Deeger, Louise De Felice, Mary McAndrew, Mrs. R. J. Sweet, Lillian M. Galvin, Mrs. Frank Walsh, Mrs. Vaughan Talbert, Clara Parker, Mrs. John Randall, Pearl Hersom, Mary Ethier, Mrs. Roland Fuller, Ruth Lynch, Clara Crotty, Mrs. John Hayward, Mrs. H. Noonan, M. Dyas, Mrs. F. J. Darling, Mrs. Roger Stillman, Mrs. J. Walter Babine, June Volpe, Mrs. Helen Clarke, Isabelle Pellerin, Mrs. Malcolm S. Butler, Mrs. Elmo Perrella, Alice M. O'Hare, Mrs. Dorothy Rogers, Mrs. J. E. Jones, Beatrice McCormack, Mrs. Alan D. Shepherd, Mrs. Ralph Goosney, Mrs. Mildred Taugies, Mrs. M. Christopher, Mrs. Shirley Lyons, Mrs. A. Mead, Barbara White, Mrs. Jane Chislett, Mrs. R. J. Wilwell, Mrs. L. M. Foley, Mary Tracy, Mrs. Eleanor Sullivan, Mrs. Evelyn Walsh, Mrs. Madeline Higginbotham, Betty Newell, Jackie Quandt, Mrs. Warren Hurley, Mrs. Aristede Brabant, Mrs. Irving Rice, Mrs. Andrew May, Mrs. Vinal E. Lewis, Margaret Harper, Helen V. Babine, Mrs. John F. Hartnett, Mrs. James B. Moore, Rose Butt, Elizabeth Thibodeau, Mrs. Anthony Mottolla, Mrs. Allen MacMullin, Mrs. Henry Cutter, Betty Cutter, Mrs. Robert Michaelson, Mrs. Edith Stevens, Mrs. Kathleen Vaughn, and four other mothers who did not identify themselves.

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At Silver Lake Chapel: 8:45;
10:45.

DAILY MASS: 8 A.M.

BAPTISMS:

Sundays at 2 P.M. in the Rectory.

SUNDAY SCHOOL:

After the 8:30 Mass at St. Thomas.

After the 8:45 Mass at Silver Lake.

Released Time Classes in Religion; Monday and Tuesday at the close of the school day.

Confirmation will be administered in this parish during this year. To be eligible for the Confirmation Class the pupil must regularly attend the Sunday School or Released Time Classes.

CONFESSIONS:

Thursday at 7:30 P.M.

Saturday at 4 P.M. and 7:30 P.M.

Saturday at Silver Lake at 3:30 P.M.

First Friday occurs this week. Devotions in honor of the Sacred Heart:

Holy Mass at 6 and 8 o'clock.

Holy Communion also at 7:30.

Evening Devotions at 7:45.

Sodality of The Blessed Virgin Mary on Friday evening at 7:45.

All members are urged to attend to increase the devotion during this Marian Year.

Devotions in honor of Our Lady of Fatima:

Holy Mass on Saturday morning at 8 and 9 o'clock.

Evening Devotions at 7:45.

The Officers and Committee members of our Parish Council of Catholic men and women are giving a fine leadership that will be an inspiration to all our parishioners. We look forward to much spiritual accomplishment in this coming year.

The collection in aid of our Diocesan Charities amounted to \$314. We ask God to bless your homes in reward for your kindness.

To the boys and girls of Wilmington who are in the service of our Nation:

You are in our thoughts and prayers. You are remembered at the Altar of your Parish Church. We ask God to bless and keep you and we have confidence that you serve Him and your Country.

faithfully and bring honor to yourselves, your parish and your town.

Remember in your prayers those who are ill.

Pray for the repose of the souls of:

Mary and John Lawrence Berigan for whom a Requiem High Mass will be offered on Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock.

George E. Shepard, for whom an Anniversary Requiem Mass will be offered on Saturday morning at 8 o'clock.

Rev. Jeremiah J. Minihan of Quincy; Rev. John Hosey, C. Ss. R., of Roxbury; Ellen Hagan, and our deceased relatives and friends.

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	1951	1952	1953	1954	T.M. Re-com'd 1954
General Government					
Town Manager	4,269	6,299	6,600	7,500	7,500
Town Accountant	1,800	1,800	3,600	4,200	3,120
Town Treasurer	2,200	2,500	2,500	4,200	3,120
			part year		
Town Collector	2,500	2,500	2,500	4,200	3,120
Town Clerk	1,300	2,500	2,500	4,200	3,120
and fees					
Assessor-Principal	5,619	7,977	8,120	4,500	4,500
Assessor Member	(Included in Above)			3,000	3,120
Assessor Member	(Included in Above)			2,500	3,120
				1,000	
Secretary, Town Mgr.	528	2,310	2,600	2,900	3,120
Clerk, Town Hall		2,044	1,929	2,200	2,200
Clerk, Water Dept.				(2,000)	(2,000)*
Total	18,216	27,950	30,349	41,400	36,920
Town Officers' Expenses					
Town Mgr. Office Expns	1,642	2,183	1,700	1,000	1,000
Industrial Expenses				500	1,000
Town Hall Expenses	8,123	10,748	12,000	15,000	15,000
Town Acct. Expenses	117	352	713	352	
Finance Committee	209	204	230	250	250
Planning Board	240	61	389	500	500
Board of Appeals	10	19	13	25	25
Town Counsel	623	623	900	925	1,500
Elections	508	1,007	276	1,000	1,000
Registrations	1,328	1,471	1,443	1,921	1,920
Selectmen's Expenses	790	220	350	3,000	3,000
Total	13,590	16,888	18,514	24,973	25,195
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	31,806	44,838	48,863	65,373	62,115
PROTECTION PERSONS & PROPERTY					
Police Salary & Wages	21,573	22,911	29,318	48,960	37,000
Police, Expenses	2,935	3,457	3,558	4,546	4,600
Ambulance	199	478	609	830	800
Dog Officer	100	100	100	100	500
Constable	50	50	50	50	50
Fire, Salaries & Wages	18,384	23,086	32,675	47,260	41,700
Fire, Expenses	559	3,038	4,000	8,389	3,417
Fire, Outlays	1,098	952	4,910	2,300	(4,500)
Tree, Dept. Sal. & Wages	2,500	2,635	5,756	7,000	7,000
Town Forest			150	150	150
Civilian Defense	82	121	1,089	1,080	(1,080)
Sealer Weights & Measures					
Salary	250	250	250	250	250
Sealer Weights & Measures					
Expenses	75	75	75	75	75
Bldg. Insp. Salary	800	1,500	2,432	4,500	4,200
Bldg. Insp. Exp.	136	183	203	1,063	300
Police-Fire Station				5,500	3,000
TOTAL PROTECTION PER. & PROP.	51,230	58,836	86,175	133,553	104,842
HEALTH & SANIATION					
Salary, Sanitarian & Agent			1,428	4,000	4,000
Salary, Nurse	2,200	2,500	2,600	2,600	3,120
Expenses, Operating	2,616	1,813	1,166	3,565	3,000
Expenses, Statutory	1,746	1,105	700	2,500	2,000
Animal Inspector, Salary	250	250	250	250	250
Animal Inspector, Expns	50	50	50	50	50
Slaughtering Inspector, Wages & Expenses					
TOTAL HEALTH & SANIATION	6,862	5,718	6,194	12,965	12,420
HIGHWAYS					
Salaries & Wages	12,418	14,262	11,382	15,000	16,500
General Expenses	10,529	13,445	11,715	25,850	22,000
Road Mch. Acct.	5,839	7,932	7,600	9,000	9,000
Chap. 90, Const.	3,000	3,000	3,000	12,000	20,000
Chap. 90, Maint.	1,500	1,500	1,500	4,500	4,500
Chap. 81, Maint.	9,400	9,500	9,800	10,000	10,000
Snow & Ice Removal	6,019	10,250	8,585	10,000	9,000
Surveying Streets	717	573	1,467	2,000	(2,000)
Street Lights	9,400	8,607	9,187	10,000	12,000
Parker St. Extension			7,000	(7,000)	
TOTAL HIGHWAYS	64,995	78,764	71,316	99,350	85,000
CHARITIES & SOLDIERS BENEFITS					
Welfare, Aid	18,426	6,627	3,520	5,000	5,000
Welfare, Administra'n	2,005	1,849	1,297	500	500
Aid Dependent Children					
Children, Aid	14,851	14,685	15,541	18,000	18,000
Aid Dependent Children, Administration	516	998	1,700	2,500	2,500
Old Age Assistance					
Aid	46,597	35,043	38,089	40,000	40,000
Old Age Assistance, Administration	1,929	2,999	3,406	4,000	4,000
Disability Assist.		10,028	6,417	11,000	11,000
Disability Assist. Admin.	(in above)		743	1,000	1,000
Veterans Benefits	6,791	7,809	6,950	7,229	7,000
TOTAL CHARITIES, Etc.	91,115	80,038	77,663	89,229	89,000
SCHOOLS & LIBRARIES					
School Dept. Educ.		235,781	284,781	320,511	320,511
(School Com.)			51,000	60,000	60,000
Operation (TM)				(5,000)	(5,000)
Outlay, School Plant			1,850	2,000	2,000
Vocational Training	3,223	2,517	3,633	5,410	5,410
Libraries, Public	1,728	2,113	3,412,64	387,921	387,921
TOTAL SCHOOLS & LIBRARIES					
RECREATION & UNCLASSIFIED					
Recreation			200	4,500	4,500
Unclassified	3,997	6,272	3,200	2,000	(3,000)
Reserve Fund	5,052	7,326	8,195	8,000	(10,000)
Land Reclamation			3,000	10,000	(10,000)
TOTAL RECREATION & UNCLASSIFIED	9,049	13,598	13,595	24,500	4,500
ENTERPRISES & CEMETERIES					
Water Salaries & Wages	22,960	27,285	29,836	30,000	30,000
Water Expenses	21,083	22,687	26,622	30,000	30,000
Water Outlays			7,000		by bond
New Wellfield					by bond
Cem. & Parks,					
Salaries & Wages	6,632	9,559	11,669	11,726	11,750
Cemetery & Parks, Exp.	1,528	1,799	2,195	2,874	2,900
TOTAL ENT. & CEM.	52,203	61,330	77,322	74,600	74,650
INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT					
Interest	14,314	12,597	20,335	27,466	(27,466)
Maturing Debt	48,500	48,500	48,500	88,972	(88,972)
TOTAL INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT	62,814	61,097	68,835	116,438	(116,438)
ESTIMATED WARRANT ARTICLES					
Temporary Cost of Living (12,000)					
Unpaid Departmental Bills 2,000					
4H Town Committee, 100					
Memorial Day, 500					
Lease of Veteran's Quarters, 2,250					
New Street Construction, (10,000)					
Water Installation, (30,000)					
Three New Vehicles, (5,100)					
Ambulance, (8,500)					

Purchase of land for cemetery, (750)

Census, 1,000

Note Figures shown in parenthesis are non-add due to transfer from available funds or grants from other governmental agencies. Editor's Note: Figures shown under Chap. 90 and Chap. 81 show only town's cost, not total cost.

DON'T FIRE YOUR CHAUFFEUR

Complete in funeral black or spangled crimson he's worth cold cash in income tax rebates provided you can convince Uncle Sam's tax hounds that he's necessary to your business operations.

The unlucky few of us without chauffeurs-backseat drivers excluded - can however utilize other tax saving tips offered motorists by Robert S. Kretschmar, Secretary American Automobile Association, Massachusetts Division.

The following deductions can be made by all Bay State motor-car owners including those sans liveried chauffeurs.

State registration fees, license fees, state gasoline tax (five cents), state excise tax (varies with car cost), interest on auto loans and finance contracts provided interest is declared as separate item on income tax form, casualty losses such as collision damage not due to willful negligence and personal property tax.

The AAA official also listed deductible expenses for automobiles used for business purposes:

Depreciation, gasoline, oil, grease insurance, repair, automobile club membership fees, washing and polishing, parking fees, garage rental, bridge and pike tolls. Also miscellaneous items like tires, tubes, chains, plugs, anti-freeze, seat covers, towing charges, bulbs, chauffeurs' salaries and uniforms.

Kretschmar reminded car owners that when automobiles are used for both business and pleasure these items are deductible only in proportion to the business use.

He pointed out that many vacationing Bay State motorists purchased gasoline in other states where the gasoline tax may be higher or lower than in Massachusetts. Taxes in states frequently visited by Massachusetts motorists: Maine, \$0.06; New Hampshire \$0.05; Vermont, \$0.05; Connecticut, \$0.04; Rhode Island, \$0.04; New York, \$0.04; New Jersey, \$0.03; Pennsylvania, \$0.05; Florida, \$0.07, and California \$0.06.

The total gasoline tax in Massachusetts is seven cents. The state tax, five cents, can be deducted but the remaining two cents, a federal tax, is non-deductible.

Farmers who use their family car to haul goods to market or cans of milk to the cannery may make business deductions for such work.

Many Massachusetts towns, the AAA official noted, charge a personal property tax. Motorists may deduct the amount charged to their car when filling federal tax returns.

HOME CONTEST PLANNED

Massachusetts rural families this week were joining in a nationwide Rural Home Improvement Contest featuring 101 cash prizes totaling \$10,000.

Designed to encourage home improvement throughout rural America, the contest offers cash prizes that may pay winners the whole cost of their improvements. Local lumber dealers are cooperating with the sponsors of the contest, the National Lumber Manufacturers Association and County Gentleman magazine, in advising people on their improvement projects.

Five grand prizes will be awarded nationally in the renovating or remodeling job contest. First prize is \$2,500 cash, second, \$1,000 cash, and third, fourth and fifth, \$500 each.

Two Massachusetts families are certain to win prizes as one \$100 U.S. Savings Bond and one \$50 Bond will be awarded in each state. All entries are eligible for both national and state prizes, but the winners of national prizes will not also be eligible for state prizes.

Eligible to compete are permanent home improvements, which mean a remodeling, modernization, renovation, alteration, addition, rearrangement or construction which becomes a part of the home or dwelling. In awarding prizes, primary consideration will be given to these factors: convenience, utility, added living space, appearance and ingenuity. The cost of the home improvement will not determine the winners.

Any project begun in 1954 and

completed before August 1, 1954, is eligible for a prize. The official entry blank, which can be secured by writing to Country Gentleman, must be mailed to the magazine before midnight, July 31, 1954. Entry blanks are free, there is no charge or fee of any kind to enter the contest.

CALLING ALL IRISH!

The Clover Club a civic, educational social organization restricted to men of Irish extraction is expanding its membership to embrace citizens of Greater-Lowell.

Understanding, appreciating and emphasis on Irish history and culture and a revival of interest in the traditions of their blood among men of Irish descent will be the theme of the club. Tentative plans are being made for the club's first observance of St. Patrick's Day and two meetings have been held to discuss this significant date, March 17th.

Officers have been elected to guide the new organization in its first year, they include: John V. McManmon, president; Thomas F. Balfry, secretary; Paul A. Lynch, treasurer.

Directors, Dr. Joseph D. Sweeney, James J. Pollard, John J. Savage, attorney Paul R. Fitzgerald, attorney Allen Qua, Philip J. Haggerty, John T. Sayers, Jr., Thomas J. Marham. The membership committee comprises: Edward D. Cawley, E. Francis O'Day, Charles A. Gallagher, Dennis W. Heslin, John J. Flannery, Rev. Harold W. Fraser, OMI, has been named chaplain.

A gala banquet on the evening of March 16, the night before St. Patrick's Day, is planned and would include a nationally known speaker of Irish descent, and a special musical program of songs of the Ould Sod. It would mark the most elaborate observance of St. Patrick's Day in this city since the dauntless Irishmen marched in the great street parades of forty years ago.

Men of Irish blood and extraction in the towns surrounding Lowell are eligible to enroll in the Clover Club and may procure membership enrollment cards from any of the above officers, directors, or membership committee personnel.

IMMEDIATE ENLISTMENT AVAILABLE IN U.S. AIR FORCE

25 January 1954 - T/Sgt Frederick E. Whitehouse, Station Commander of the Lowell U.S. Army and U.S. Air Force Recruiting Station, announced today that the United States Air Force is accepting immediate enlistments, for qualified young men, desiring a career with "Men in Blue."

Training in specialized fields, travel, free medical and dental care, a chance to improve their education and good pay, are among the many benefits offered by the U. S. Air Force, Sgt Whitehouse stated.

Further information, concerning Air Force enlistments, may be obtained by calling at the Lowell Army and Air Force Recruiting Station, located in the old Post-Office, 89 Appleton Street, Lowell.

Dr. C. Wroe Wolfe, Boston University geologist, predicts that anthracite's use will increase five-fold in the next 50 years because of rapidly diminishing reserves of oil and natural gas.

MANHATTAN JUDGE SEES FAITH AS NECESSARY FOR FREEDOM

Los Angeles - Judge Edward S. Dore of New York State's Supreme Court stated here that today's problem is a problem of freedom. "It

is not a problem of the relation between man and man, but of the relation between man and God," he said. "The denial of the human person is implicit in the denial of the Divine Person. Without faith there is no reasonable basis for freedom." Judge Dore spoke before the National Law Institute.

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TV NEWSREEL

By MacLellan's.

Red Buttons has apparently won his fight for a bit of relief occasionally from his weekly TV show. His sponsor has signed "Masquerade Party" to a long-term contract to use as a periodic replacement for Red when he needs a rest.

The private eyes are doing well on television. Mark Stevens, the most recent in a long list of portrayals of "Martin Kane," has sent the TV ratings soaring high for this long-running show. Mark only took over the role a few months ago... and he's already producing marked results... Also along the line of mystery shows, "Inner Sanctum" has made the jump from radio to TV. Rumors say that "The Shadow" will follow suit.

Pity poor Sammy Kaye. The bandleader will spend the next three months selecting the most beautiful high school co-ed in the country... Ethel Merman does her first dramatic show for Suspense in February... Herb Shriner said, about his twins: "When I walked into the ward and saw the twin babies, I thought the doctor was just giving me a choice."

TV stars in a recent poll voted Buck, the St. Bernard dog on the "Topper" television series, as video's top scene stealer. In the video homes throughout America a certain TV set is holding the spotlight. No matter where it performs, the big scene stealer among the nation's finest TV receivers is a CBS television set, incorporating a finer sound and picture system. See CBS at MACLELLAN APPLIANCE & TV CENTER, Main Street, Tewksbury, Phone Lowell 7106.

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Mrs. Phyllis Kilkenney

Mrs. Phyllis Kilkenney, 45 Andover street, North Wilmington, newly appointed associate editor of the Wilmington Crusader. Mrs. Kilkenney has had wide experience in the newspaper world. She served as Associate Editor of the Northport Journal, of Northport, New York, (circ. 3500) for two years, and was editor of the Pan Atlantic Clipper for 2½ years. She also was in the public relations department of the American Air Lines, and has done a lot of work for both NBC and CBS radio networks.

Mrs. Kilkenney, who prefers to be known as Phyllis, will be in charge of social and club news for the Wilmington Crusader, and will assist in other departments, from time to time. She intends to work out a schedule for her duties, and hopes that she can find herself able to give Wilmington a sound coverage in these important departments. Readers are invited to call Mrs. Kilkenney, (OL 8-2863), and arrange schedules for their club news, or other items.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore (Ted) Kilkenney purchased the former Christiansen estate last September. The couple have four children, one of whom is attending the Whitefield school. Mr. Kilkenney is a manufacturer representative.

TOWN NOTES

WEATHER

No real cold temperatures. There was .14 inches of rain on the 26th, .29 on the 27th, with a trace of snow, and .08 on the 13th. Nearly all the snow was gone, at the end of the week, as a result of the rain. The rain, Wednesday night, was falling just at freezing point, and a icy hazard resulted in the highway.

TAX RATE

Our Town Manager and the Finance Committee are reported to be in agreement that there will be no increase in the tax rate, this year. They should tell some of the banks, who have been increasing the monthly payments, on mortgaged homes, in order to take care of an increase, which they seem to anticipate, in 1954.

THE TANNER

We had a story about the sale of the tannery, already for last week's issue, and then it turned out that there wasn't enough room, so that it appears this week.

Since then we have noticed that lights would be burning, in various parts of the buildings, every other evening or so. This was not a sign that the new owners had taken over, but rather an evidence of oversight, on the part of the people who have been removing machinery and other articles purchased at the auction.

HENRY PORTER

Henry Porter received a very nice letter from the Reader's Digest, thanking him and his staff for the way the delivery of mail had been handled in this area. It was a very nice letter, and Henry was rather proud of it. Showed it to his friends.

Henry incidentally, is not pleased at the way that the Gloucester Times treated him. Imaginative reporters called him "Hank", and wrote it in such a way as to imply that everyone in Wilmington called him by that name. Henry passes

it off good naturedly, but we think it was lousy reporting.

"Hank" to our way of thinking, draws a picture of a character who supports his trousers with galluses, and has a spittoon in each corner of the postoffice. As such it certainly does not describe our postmaster, who is Henry to his personal friends, and Mr. Porter to most everyone else.

NEW DEALS

We have known for quite a while that TM Cushing was talking with various business organizations, about getting a supermarket and other stores to Wilmington. We have kept quiet about it, because our TM thought that we should, and we were good natured enough to go along. However, the whole town knows it now, because of reports which were published in the Gloucester Times.

There is, as far as we know, no definite understanding about any such deal, although there has been a lot of preliminary conversation.

Incidentally, at least three different banks have been quietly surveying the town, with an eye to opening a branch office. One of them has drawn a negative conclusion, and abandoned the idea. We don't know what the other two have decided, or even if they have made a decision.

THE DERBY

Of course, the number one item of news, during the last week was the Silver Skates Derby, in Boston. We don't know how many were there, although we did our best to find out. George sold 635 tickets, in his store, and we know of more that were bought at the gate, but the question is, how many?

The announcer stated that there were 800 Wilmington fans at the Derby, but he was just guessing. We didn't think very well of that announcer, either, not half as good as the fellow that did the job last year.

B&M-officials estimated that 250 Wilmington fans were on the six p.m. train, that had a special stop at our depot. They admitted

it was a backhanded guess. Taxi drivers, in Wilmington said that "about a thousand got off that train."

Anyway, our decision is that there were not one thousand fans at the Derby. Perhaps 800 is a good number.

ICE FISHING

We saw young Kenny Slater, with a sizeable perch, the other day, which he caught through the ice at Silver Lake. We also have heard that one of our friends caught a 3 lb. pickerel.

Don't go rushing down to the lake, however, with the idea that you are going to catch something. It is the early bird who catches the fish. After there has been openings for a few days the fish aren't interested. (Some day we hope to tell you the story about the street car motorman, from Lowell, who really did some fishing)

WASN'T THAT NICE

Most of the time a journalist receives only the kicks about how he practices his profession. He can walk down the street and be greeted with scowls, from both sides of the subject, whatever it may be. An example in case was the growls that this paper had, from a number of readers who were, in each case certain that we were leagued with the opposition, in reporting the Harriman tannery. In fact, the Crusader published an editorial about it all, afterwards.

We had a very nice pleasing remark passed our way, the other day, about this case. A gentleman stopped us, and told us that they thought that the Crusader's work was "first class journalism" and "real reporting". Now we fell a little better—but not much!

THE MYSTERIOUS MYSTERY

North Wilmington residents were all agog, during the last week, because of their neighbors was having an "at home." The coming event was discussed, without a doubt, on more than one occasion, with every one wondering if there might be an announcement of an engagement, or something like that.

If that was what the people were hoping to hear, they were disappointed. There was an "at home," and it was a very nice affair. And that is all.

WILMINGTON REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Anna R. Barry and assoc. to John Zammito and wife, bank of Silver Lake.

Charles V. Blaisdell to Walter M. Farelo, Temple street.

Francis J. Chini and assoc. to William H. Rowe and wife.

John D. Cooke to Attilio W. Venuti and wife, Truman road.

Herbert F. Holland and wife to Fred T. Corum and wife, Salem street.

Warren R. Hurley and wife to Warren J. Hurley, Hanover street.

Town of Wilmington to Ruth E. Godzyk, Auburn and Plymouth avenue, 2 pcls.

Town of Wilmington to Frederick A. Smith, Linda road.

Town of Wilmington to John D. Cooke, 5 pcls.

Town of Wilmington to Garnet S. Mills, Westwood park.

Town of Wilmington to Raymond C. Booth and wife, Concord street and Fairmount avenue, 3 pcls.

Town of Wilmington to George Vokey, Main and Carter street.

Town of Wilmington to Brookline Realty and Investment Corp., Silver Lake addition.

Town of Wilmington to Francis L. Cannon, Auburn street.

Town of Wilmington to Harold W. McKelvey, Cook avenue.

Town of Wilmington to James W. Farrell and wife, Wilmington Manor plan.

Town of Wilmington to Carl A. Salmonson, Central Park.

Town of Wilmington to William F. Murphy, Silver Lake Gardens.

Town of Wilmington to Harold E. Melzar, Malden Park and Silver Lake Gardens, 2 pcls.

August E. Wohlander and wife to Arnold E. Swain and wife, off Woburn street.

Under Land Registration Act John A. Fiorentino to Walter C. Rowe, Faulkner road.

Sadie J. Griffith to John A. Nolan and wife, Main street, 2 pcls.

New England Gas Products to Surface Coatings, Inc., Lot 3.

John A. Rayer by adm to John A. Fiorentino, Faulkner road.

LEASE

John A. Nolan and assoc. to brothers in the Service. Sgt. Ro-

Socony Vacuum Oil Co., Inc., Main street.

THREE JOIN MARINES

LOWELL, MASS.—Presently

undergoing recruit training at the famous Marine Corps "Boot Camp," Parris Island, S.C., are Private Donald A. Ahern, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ahern, King street., Private Edward C. Fuller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Har-



EDDIE FULLER

old Fuller of 43 Grove avenue, and Private Anthony Martino, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Martino of Hopkins street.

The ten weeks formal training includes classroom work in Marine Corps History, customs of the service, military law, first aid and hygiene. Field training



DONALD AHERN

includes practical map reading, squad and platoon tactics, unarmed defense and Marine Corps use of the bayonet and rifle.

Upon completion of his recruit training, the new Marines will be assigned duty with the Marine unit on Land, Sea or in the Air. Under the Marine Corps new classification and assign-



ANTHONY MARTINO

ment program after careful screening and annualizing the recruit's qualifications.

Prior to entering the Marine Corps, Private Ahern was employed by the Deran Candy Co. He attended the Wilmington High School and the Lowell Trade School.

Private Fuller was employed by the Spray Engineering Co. He is a graduate of the Wilmington High School, Class of '53.

Private Fuller also has two

bert H. Fuller, stationed at Fort Devens and Cpl. Harold Fuller, Jr. stationed at Labrador.

Private Martino was employed by the Spray Engineering Co., and is a graduate of the Wilmington High School, Class of '53.

Private Martino has a brother Private First Class, Charles E. Martino serving with the Marines.

WALTER FITCH ILL

Walter Fitch, for many years a resident of Hillside Way, and owner of a local business in Wilmington, now a resident of Wells, Maine, is gravely ill, in a Maine hospital.

IRVING APPLYBY GRAVELY ILL

Irving Applyby, Butters Row, a patient in the New England Sanatorium is gravely ill, according to the last advice received.

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HEART
SUNDAY

MASSACHUSETTS HEART ASSOCIATION NEWS

"The 1954 Heart Fund Campaign which begins next Monday, February 1, may be the most important of all heart campaigns to date," it was announced this week by Mr. Joseph J. Sotile, Wilmington Chairman for the 1954 Heart Fund.

Mr. Sotile made the announcement upon receipt of a report from Dr. Lewis M. Huxthal, President of the Massachusetts Heart Association which stated in part: "We may well be on the brink of many great advances in the treatment and control of heart and circulatory diseases." Dr. Huxthal stated in his message: "Our knowledge has advanced further in the past twenty-five years than in all previous centuries combined."

"Medical science, aided by your Heart Association, is progressing with confidence toward a solution of major problems posed by these diseases," he continued.

"Although we have yet to learn the underlying causes of some forms of heart diseases, the advances which have been made have opened the way to important victories over heart disease."

"These victories include surgical procedures and new drugs in the treatment of high blood pressure."

"They include the prevention of rheumatic fever by prompt treatment of streptococcal infections—which almost always precede initial or repeated attacks of rheumatic fever."

"They include drugs which prevent the clotting of blood and thus reduce the possibility of fatal complications following heart attacks."

"Today, the surgeon's scalpel invades the human heart almost as a routine matter, not only correcting defects which are present at birth, but also valves that have been dangerously scarred and narrowed as a result of rheumatic fever."

"Happily, our gains have not been confined to the laboratory and the operating room."

"Through our informational programs, physicians are being given swifter access to research findings and the nation as a whole is developing a new and more rational understanding of the heart problem."

"We are making substantial progress in community service programs, in cardiac clinics, in rehabilitation and retraining of cardiac workers, and in programs for cardiac housewives so that they can continue as useful and productive members of society."

"The future holds more promise than ever before."

"But this point deserves emphasis," Dr. Huxthal concluded. "Tomorrow's advances will depend upon the generosity with which you respond to this year's Heart Fund appeal."

The U.S. oil industry spends more than \$300 million a year on seismographic studies. These special surveys are necessary before drilling locations can be chosen. They are part and parcel of the industry's 24-hour-a-day job of finding more oil for the wings and wheels of America.

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GENERAL ELECTRIC
SPOKESMAN AT ROTARY

E. M. Barr, Supervisor of Employee Services, for the West Lynn Works of the General Electric Company was the speaker of the day, at the weekly luncheon of the Rotary Club of Wilmington.

Barr's talk was illustrated with a series of graphs, which he had prepared, and used as he progressed from one subject to the next one. He spoke in this manner:

Customers, in the long run, decide what products are to be made, how much will be made, and the price for which they will be sold.

The competitive struggle for the customer's choice weeds out the inefficient businesses and urges others to do better. This has resulted in lowered prices, higher quality, and better service, as well as improved and new products.

Our patent laws, by giving protection to the ideas of the inventor, encourage the continuing search for new and better products.

The money that provides the buildings, equipment and tools in our American Business System comes ultimately from the savings of the American people.

If a business has something left over after its bills are paid it belongs to its share owners. It is their reward for the risks that are involved in putting their savings in buildings, equipment, and tools.

One of Government's important services is to referee the competitive business contests and penalize those who violate the rules of fair play.

The American people have made considerable progress during the last century. It is generally agreed that we have the highest standard of living in the world for the greatest number of people.

Our standard of living is determined by the size of our product circle, not by the amount

of money in general circulation. It was the American System that allowed the American people to use their brain power and initiative to discover better raw materials and to develop more efficient equipment and tools. This in turn made it possible for us to produce three to four times more per hour per person than did the people of 1850.

Our almost-double leisure time has been a result of increased output, not of social legislation.

Further improvement in the already-high American standard of living will require an ever-increasing product circle in the future.

In the long run, the customer usually has the final say as to the price of things produced.

When many customers drop out of a market for any reason, it eventually means curtailed production, unless the enterprise can find ways of lowering its selling price or increasing its services.

Competition forces business to do a better job of satisfying customer needs. The efficient enterprise is in a more favorable position to grow.

Every group in an enterprise can contribute materially to increasing output and, therefore, to bringing about lower costs.

The chart showing the history of the refrigerator industry indicates clearly that competition does play a very important part in our American Business System.

The chart also confirms the fact that improvement in equipment and tools tends to lower prices and to increase the volume of sales.

To make sure that the rights of the individual would be protected, the founders of our country wrote some of them down in our Constitution and Bill of Rights. In addition, they made it clear that the rights which were not mentioned belonged to the American people and not to the government.

Many of our freedoms would be restricted or altered under a socialistic system of government. Our freedoms would be lost under a communistic system of government.

We as a people have attained more individual freedom than is enjoyed by any other group in the world today. As a result, we are free to act as we wish—provided, of course, our actions do not curtail the liberties and freedoms of others.

Discussions centered around the preceding charts lead to this question: "What can we Americans do about it?"

It is generally agreed that all of us should keep a closer eye on the day-to-day events in this country. When a proposed change is being considered, we should study the "pros" and "cons," viewing each proposal from all angles. We should then exert our influence against those changes which are likely to get us in trouble.

The job of weighing the "pros" and "cons" is not an easy one. The immediate results of a change may not be difficult to spot; but when we try to predict what a proposed change might do to us in the future, most of us encounter trouble.

Obviously, major changes are deserving of much more consideration than could be given in our short discussions. However,

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The Wilmington-Tewksbury Hebrew School has started classes as of January 13th, under the direction of Mrs. Alan Prager, of Brookline, on Wednesday afternoons, at 4:30, at the home of Mrs. Flora Vinecour, Salem street. The students enrolled are: Alan Ford, Richard Silverman, Michael Weinberg, Earl Vinecour, Elaine Rabin, Melvin Jacobs, Ernest Pearlstein and Samuel Pearlstein.

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Anyone interested in enrolling in classes or joining the sponsors should contact one of the committee. The committee includes Mrs. Frances Rabin, OL 8-2010, Mrs. Chrysselle Weinberg, OL 8-4691, Mrs. Irene Silverman, OL 8-3494, Mrs. Ida Ford, OL 2650, and Mrs. Jean Epstein, OL 8-3182.

PRINTING FIRM BUYS
HARRIMAN'S TANNERY

The Murray Printing Company, of Wakefield, were the successful bidders, at an auction held two weeks ago, for the tannery of the late Caleb Harriman, in North Wilmington. They bid \$16,000 for the land, 10 acres, and buildings thereon.

The sale to the Murray Printing Company still has to be confirmed, by the Probate Court, and will probably not be confirmed for another two weeks.

Printers of books and pamphlets, it is reported that this firm has found their Wakefield quarters too small.

In a sale of machinery, held at the same time, about \$11,000 was realized.

IT'S A BOY

Mr. and Mrs. John Hodgdon of 15 Veranda avenue announce the birth of a baby son, January 21st at Chelsea Naval Hospital. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. James Stone of Wilmington and Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John Hodgdon of Somerville.

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By Paul D. Emmons

(Continued from last week)

"Aw! 'Fraid you'll lose some of your money to me, are you?"

"Oh, well, if you feel that way about it."

The sucker would buck the works and get stung. Then he'd squawk. The grifter would pull him away into another huddle.

Listen, Joe, Lemme tell you something. You're a pretty wise bird, but - you can't beat this game. Here! Take your money - get the hell outa here - and keep your mouth shut!"

Then there were the "connection workers", who used to stand with a bundle of tickets and a bag of money in the space between the manager and the big show.

When they saw a possible victim approaching, "Allow me, sir, to see what ticket you have." Then, after some excuse the ticket is handed back. "And by the way, brother, you'll need some change this after-

noon. Couldn't you accommodate me with paper money and take a little silver?"

And in the process by some sleight of hand the gentleman walks away perfectly satisfied, but nevertheless short on some of the change he ought to have got. In the course of the day the worker's taking would run into big money.

Even the side show magicians couldn't compete with some of these grifters in sleight of hand. They used to fold bills, and do everything.

It knew a side show ticket seller in a big circus making a good salary but getting three times his salary by simply selling a ten cent ticket and handing back a quarter, four nickels, and two dimes, as the change out of a dollar for the ten cent ticket. There was something about that particular combination which seemed to satisfy the customer, and he hardly ever noticed that he was short a quarter.

He'd be in a hurry to get a good seat. If he noticed his loss and turned back, the ticket seller would push a quarter towards him.

"There, brother - there's your two bits lying right on the counter. You forgot to take it."

Almost invariably he'd fall for the gag and forget that he didn't pick his change off the counter anyway.

It was known as the 65-35 game. On a sale of three hundred or four hundred dollars' worth of tickets it ran into big money.

Oh, well, who says the world isn't getting better? Those days are pretty much in the past.

Even then the grifters sometimes had the tables turned on them. In this way.

If it was a rail show they generally had their own special car attached to the train. That's where they had the big games.

The small fries were always trimmed on the circus lot. But if any big fish wanted to stake a good sized roll he was taken down to the railroad yard. There, in the grifters' special, they'd always have some tin horn sports to make him welcome and give him a whirl at stud, fargo, or anything he wanted. That was one reason for the grifters' all herding by themselves in one car - the "pie car."

We'll say the circus proprietor had managed to pay up what he owed them at the start of the season, and wanted to get rid of them.

He'd have their car placed at the rear of the train. Then, first time he was going to make a long jump - say one hundred and fifty miles or so - he'd tip somebody off to uncouple it right after the train started.

The grifters would be left flat on the rails. Before they could hitch onto something else and get to the new location the proprietor had tipped off the authorities to run 'em out of town as fast as they showed up.

I've known this to happen. I was with quite a few circuses, first and last. With Gollmar Bros., for one. They operated out of Baraboo, Wisconsin, which was the headquarters of the Ringling Bros. in the old days, and these people were their cousins. They had a rail

show which once got smashed up, according to the newspaper accounts, as follows:-

"The special Lake Erie and Western train carrying the Gollmar Bros. circus was wrecked at Kempton, Ind., May 7, by a pole suspended underneath one of the cars. The pole came loose and caught in a switch frog throwing four cars down an embankment and wrecking a car containing eight employees, three elephants and five camels. The employees were severely injured. The four cars derailed contained animals, none of which escaped though some were injured. The train was running at the rate of twenty-five miles an hour."

Then there was the old L. W. Washburn circus. They operated all through this country and Canada. The last season I was with them we went from Halifax, N. S. to Crow's Nest in Alberta, which was as far west as the railroad ran. I've always remembered one funny incident connected with that trip.

In Halifax we picked up two English vaudeville artists who were stranded, and added them to the show. They were regular Limehouse cockneys, and had never been in the United States.

The going was tough. There was a boom in wheat, and we had expected to cut in on the velvet. Instead of that, it worked the other way.

The Canadian farmers never before had got such a high price for their wheat. Consequence was, they were too busy harvesting it and getting it to market to bother with circuses. About every stand we played cost us money.

It was very disappointing. We tried to cheer ourselves up by saying, "Oh, wait until we get back to God's own country. Everything will be all right then."

It became a by-word. "Wait until we get back to God's own country."

Well, when we reached Crow's Nest we turned south and crossed the line into God's own country. The first town we struck the cops jumped us, ran fifty or sixty into court, and had 'em fined.

I'm not telling what for, and I wasn't in it anyway.

Personally, I've never had to say "Good morning, Judge," yet. Never got beyond the sergeant's desk. Always had an alibi, or a whereas, or a so and so.

The next morning we pulled out. The two Limeys were up in the front end of the car, giving us the Bronx cheer.

"I sye, Jock, what a wonderful country is Gawd's own country! Boo-oo - ooh!"

"Yis, 'Arry, ain't Gawd's own country a marvel-ous country! Blah-

ah-ah!"

Some of the crowd wanted to mob them, but the rest of us only laughed.

Well, we didn't fare much better in the U. S. than we did in Canada. Not for lack of blowing our own horn. We did that fine.

Our bill posters would make your eyes stick out. Washburn, as a matter of fact, ran more than one show, but combined all his advertising in one hand bill. You might think it all applied to the show you were going to see, and believe it or not.

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Well, that was good ballyhoo stuff, (continued on Page 10)

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PROBATE COURT.

To all persons interested in the estate of Teresa P. Luciozi late of Wilmington in said County of Middlesex, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court by John B. Luciozi administrator with the will annexed of the estate of said deceased, praying that the penal sum of his additional bond as much administrator with the will annexed be reduced from the sum of sixty thousand dollars to twenty-five thousand dollars.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fifteenth day of February 1954, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John C. Leggat, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twentieth day of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifty-four.

John J. Butler, Register. J-27-F-3-10

LEGAL NOTICE

Estate of Bertha M. Taylor, late of Wilmington in the County of Middlesex, deceased, testate, represented insolvent.

The Probate Court for said County will receive and examine all claims of creditors against the estate of said Bertha M. Taylor and notice is hereby given that six months from the fourteenth day of January, 1954, are allowed to creditors to present and prove their claims against said estate, and that the Court will receive and examine the claims of creditors at Cambridge, on the fifteenth day of February, 1954, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, and at Cambridge on the fourteenth day of July 1954, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

Philip B. Buzzell Administrator with the will annexed of the estate of Bertha M. Taylor. J-27-F-3-10

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PROBATE COURT.

To all persons interested in the estate of Caleb S. Harriman late of Wilmington in said County, deceased.

The Special administrators of said estate have presented to said Court for allowance their first account.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fifteenth day of February, 1954, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John C. Leggat, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this nineteenth day of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifty-four.

John J. Butler, Register. J-27-F-3-10

LEGAL NOTICE

ESTATE OF CALEB S. HARRIMAN, late of Wilmington, in the County of Middlesex, deceased, represented insolvent.

The subscribers, having been appointed by the Probate Court for said County, commissioners to receive and examine all claims of creditors against the estate of said Caleb S. Harriman hereby give notice that six months from the twelfth day of January, 1954, are allowed to creditors to present and prove their claims against said estate, and that they will meet to examine the claims of creditors at Room 335, 73 Tremont Street, Boston, Massachusetts, on the twenty-fourth day of February next, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon.

January 19, 1954
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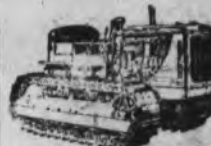
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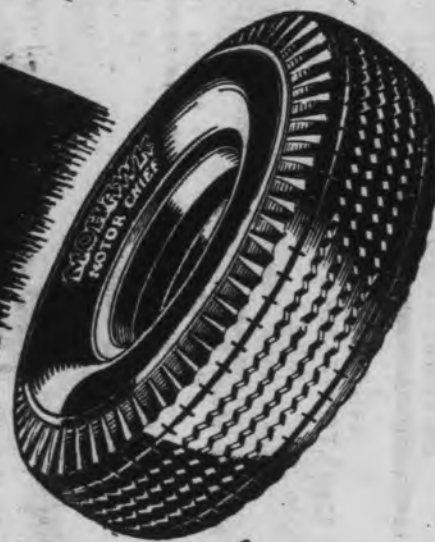


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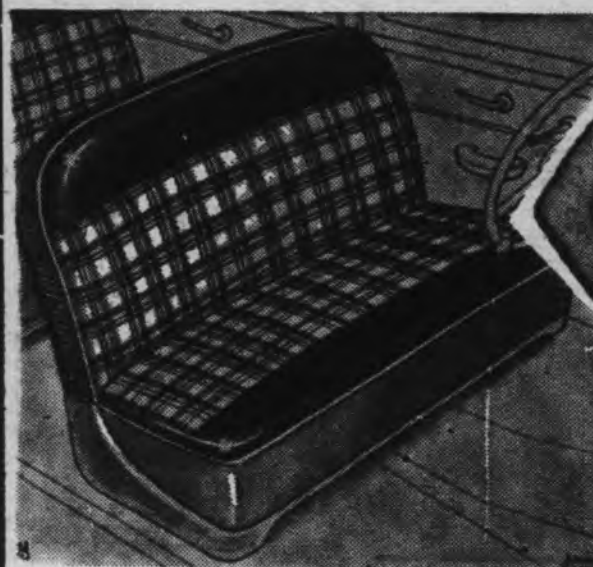


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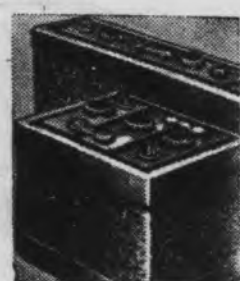
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ENTERTAINING AMERICA

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but it didn't get us anywhere. The farmers in the old U.S.A. were just as busy harvesting wheat as their Canadian cousins.

The show finally folded up in Yankton, S. D. I beat my way back to Boston on freights and cattle trains, hiding cabooses and kangaroo pouches to duck any brass-bound sleefoots who might be too curious on what it was all about.

The railroads were getting stricter. Just to show you what I mean I'll relate a little incident which happened to me back in the real horse-and-buggy days.

As you can readily perceive by this time, a showman's life wasn't all beer and skittles. It was a school of hard knocks, as I've already said. This time it was a little fly-by-night show operating out of Cohoes, N.Y., a suburb of Albany.

Ledell's Vaudeville under Canvas. He had assembled some pretty good features. The best was Tom Heflin, the original one-legged dancer, whom Keith afterwards pensioned off. But Ledell was afflicted with an insufficiency of bank roll, and in the first town we played, we had to compete with a strawberry festival, and didn't make our expenses.

We went back to Cohoes. The money promised by the backer didn't come through. The show folded up, leaving us stranded.

I was living with my first wife at that time, and she was a business woman. When I brought any money home she turned up her nose. When I didn't bring any home she turned something else up. So I didn't want to go back just then.

The boss canvas man (who also doubled as a parachute jumper) had a bright idea.

He said to me, "Got any money?"

"A little."

As a matter of fact I had just about enough to carry me back to Boston, but wanted to build up a

surplus if possible.

"What d'ye say if I go in town and get some of the merchandise to hire us to billboard the fences out through the country around here?"

I agreed. Any job looked good to me.

He lined up three or four merchants. We hired a horse and carriage, and went to it.

It was rail-fence country, but the rails were generally wide, vertical boards. I slapped on the yellow ochre, and he lettered over it, free-hand "Do you wear pants? Get them from So and So . . . Do you need furniture? Buy it from Horn and Hardart . . . etc."

We could run off a lot of signs like this in an hour. At the end of a few days we had about sixty or seventy dollars apiece coming to us, and returned to Cohoes. Next day Dan took a checker-up for the merchants out to see what we had done.

I didn't bother with that, as I was tired. I had bought the paint and the feed for the horse. That night I blew what little I had left. Didn't get in until about two A.M. and slept until nearly noon the next day.

When I came downstairs I couldn't find Dan. The landlady told me, "He said not to disturb you - to let you sleep."

Very kind of him, but I wanted to locate him. I hunted the whole town. No Dan.

Finally I got wise. While I was pounding my ear that slier had collected our pay, and beat it!

I packed up, and went down to the railroad station.

"Actor. Strapped. Want transportation back to Boston."

"Where's your trunk?"

"On the platform."

"Here's your ticket."

Imagine a railroad doing that now! But they did in those days, and carried me back to Boston.

I forget how I promoted the money to get my trunk out of hock, but it was somewhere up around Howard Street. I also forget what my wife said to me, which seems strange for that usually made an impression.

Speaking of women, I had an act once which paid me pretty well, and which centered about a woman. It was called "Lunette". The newspaper accounts played it up as follows:-

"These are the words of a Har-

vard occultist who on Saturday last witnessed the performance of Lunette at the Boston Theatre: 'I must confess I am at a loss to know how her great feat was accomplished. The act was pleasing, mystifying, and deserving of high praise, whatever the methods employed.'

"In almost similar strain have thousands upon thousands of others talked who have witnessed this wonderful and almost seemingly super human spectacle."

"Lunette is a human being, a pretty and enchanting woman. Before one's very eyes she is lifted into the air, and while thus elevated, without a scintilla of material support, she performs the most graceful and charming movements. Flies from one place to another, waites beautifully in midair, and creates altogether a most wonderful impression. In Paris - that city of wonders - Lunette was for many months the rage, and her great act was the subject of much study on the part of French scientists."

As a matter of fact, the whole thing was simply black art levitation. The stage was all draped in black, and my assistant, who maneuvered from behind the back drop, was dressed in black, and wore a black hood in case he had to stick his head out. The lights were trained so as to shine into the eyes of the audience. Everything was black, except the women herself, who was dressed in white.

Of course, nobody knew that under her clothes she wore a steel corset and body braces, and that a long, black lever, operated by my assistant, lifted her into the air on a pedestal and enabled her to perform all these seemingly marvelous maneuvers. At the close of the act we'd lower her to the floor, bring her out of the trance, and she would step forward to make her bow.

There was nothing particularly dangerous about this act, but you couldn't say that for all of them. The worse case of jitters I ever got was from the old loop-the-loop bicycle stunt when it was first introduced.

I was directing Jabour Carnival - about thirty-five years ago. We booked in New York, and opened up in Minneapolis under the auspices of the Elks.

George Jabour was a Beyreuth Syrian - a man of education, culture and considerable money. He had a lot of Syrians and Armenians in the troupe and they were a hard crowd to manage. No idea of order or system. Tell them to be pack up and ready to move at a certain hour, and you'd generally find them chaffering with some last-minute customer, trying to sell him something. They could out-sell anyone anytime.

But we had some good acts. There was Frank Cotton, and his trained donkey; Lockhart's elephants; Madame Liljens, the fire diver; the seven Guranthos sisters, acrobats; the Austin sisters, aerialists, and a troupe of Arabs, whirlwinds of the desert. Our principal drawing card, though, was the loop-the-loop.

A man named Prescott, of Somerville, Mass., had originated this act, built the first machine, and showed it with the Sells Bros. circus in Madison Square Garden. It was a sensation.

Charles Kilpatrick was with our

show. He was the original one-legged bicycle rider who rode down the Capitol steps in Washington, and made a big hit. He leased the first loop-the-loop machine to go out on the road from Prescott.

We set it up out there in Minneapolis, and started in with a rider who had been trained in Prescott's school in New Jersey. He got smashed up. Then we got another. The same thing happened. Finally it began to happen regular. They all got smashed up.

Except one woman they sent us. She climbed the ladder to the take-off, took a look down the incline, then turned around and went back home.

Nobody could seem to make the loop. It was a vertical affair, set up at the bottom of a thirty or forty foot incline, and with a run-way of about the same length leading from it on the ground, to taper off with.

The bicycle was specially constructed, and extra heavy. It would come flying down the incline, hit that loop with a terrific impact, then make a complete revolution, upside down. The rider was supposed to stay with it, and make his final glide on the runway to an easy finish.

Instead of that, he'd come flying out through the side of the loop and be loaded into an ambulance which we kept waiting, partly for effect but mostly because we really needed it.

It was part of my job to do the announcing. This act certainly got my goat. I had seen so many performers go squish, that finally I would turn tail and run as soon as I got the final word out of my mouth, and before they started the drive.

We ran out of riders. I wanted to cut the act out altogether, but it had been billed as our star attraction, and our backers insisted we go through with it. Also Kilpatrick was afraid of losing his contract. So his brother volunteered to do the stunt.

He was a tall, slim fellow, not built for the job, and had never tried it before. But he was full of confidence. He was going to have everything right in style, even to the cape on the Mephisto costume he was supposed to wear.

I said to him: "Listen! You ought not to undertake this job - you're not built for it - but whatever you do, leave off that cape. It'll balloon out and catch on something."

But he wasn't leaving anything off.

My nerves were all shot, what with wrestling with those Syrians and Armenians, and this thing. I went to the cop on guard at the nearest side entrance, and I said to him: "Listen! I'm going to announce this act, then I'm coming through this gate like beans out of a tin horn! You keep the way clear for me!"

And that's what I did. There was a saloon across the street, but before I could reach it I heard the

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Middlesex, ss.

PROBATE COURT.

To all persons interested in the estate of Caleb S. Harriman late of Wilmington in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for license to sell at private sale certain real estate of said deceased.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the twenty-fourth day of February 1954, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John C. Leggat, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-eighth day of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifty-four.

John J. Butler, Register. F-3-10-17

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Middlesex, ss.

PROBATE COURT.

To all persons interested in the estate of Constantinos Tingus and Georgia F. Tingus of Vresthena, Greece minors.

A petition has been presented to said Court for authority to lease certain real estate of said minors.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the third day of March 1954, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John C. Leggat, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-eighth day of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifty-four.

John J. Butler, Register. F-3-10-17

crash.

I'd just downed one drink to steady my nerves, and was ordering another when a delegation arrived - the chief of police and some other notables. They threatened me with jail if I put that act on again.

I was perfectly willing to cut it out, but just then we had a gift from Santa Claus. A fellow named Ruel came along.

He was a burly, barrel-chested chap weighing about 185 pounds, and had been a pace-setter for bicycle racers, using for that purpose a motor driven machine on which he held a mile record. He could do the loop-the-loop like nobody's business.

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Middlesex, ss.

PROBATE COURT.

To all persons interested in the trust estate under the will of Teresa P. Luciozzi late of Wilmington in said County, deceased, for the benefit of Francesco Perasso and others.

A petition has been presented to said Court, praying that John B. Luciozzi of Boston in the County of Suffolk or some other suitable person, be appointed trustee of said estate.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the twenty-third day of February 1954, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John C. Leggat, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-seventh day of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifty-four.

John J. Butler, Register. F-3-10-17

Case No. 24604 Reg.
THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.
LAND COURT

To: the Town of Wilmington, a municipal corporation, located in the County of Middlesex and said Commonwealth; William Berry, Alice T. Berry, Alfred A. Scampini, all of said Wilmington; Manuel Amard, of Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex; John Samuelian, of Boston, in the County of Suffolk and said Commonwealth; Garabed Bartigan, of Providence, in the State of Rhode Island; Mechanics Savings Bank, of Reading, in said County of Middlesex; and to all whom it may concern:

Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court by Emilio Gazzola and Enes Gazzola, both of the Roxbury District of said Boston, to register and confirm their title in the following described land:

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situate in said Wilmington, bounded and described as follows:

Easterly by Washington Road 400.00 feet; Southeasterly by Russell Street 212.51 feet; Westerly by Nichols Street 553.50 feet; Northerly by Third Street 162.00 feet.

The above-described land is shown on a plan filed with said petition and all boundary lines are claimed to be located on the ground as shown on said plan.

If you desire to make any objection or defense to said petition you or your attorney must file a written appearance and an answer under oath, setting forth clearly and specifically your objections or defense to each part of said petition, in the office of the Recorder of said Court in Boston (at the Court House), or in the office of the Assistant Recorder of said Court at the Registry of Deeds at Lowell in the County of Middlesex where a copy of the plan filed with said petition is deposited, on or before the eight day of March next.

Unless an appearance is so filed by or for you, your default will be recorded, the said petition will be taken as confessed and you will be forever barred from contesting said petition or any decree entered thereon.

Witness, JOHN E. FENTON, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-eighth day of January in the year nineteen hundred and fifty-four.

Attest with Seal of said Court. (Seal)

Sybil H. Holmes Recorder.

(Atty. John B. Luciozzi 115 Hanover Street Boston 13, Mass.) F-3-10-17

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REHABILITATION COURSE

Boston — Joseph Beaton of Wildwood street, has been admitted to the Liberty Mutual Insurance Company Rehabilitation Center here for treatment for a

disabled injury resulting from an on-the-job accident. The Wilmington resident is the 2,661st patient to undergo treatment at the Center since its opening in 1943.

Beaton suffered a badly fractured left arm when his hand

was caught between belt and roller, last summer, and had been incapacitated since that time.

The insurance company's center is maintained for Liberty Mutual workmen's compensation policy holders to help industrial accident victims regain their ability to work. Treatment at the Center includes occupational, recreational and physical therapy, and since the Center's opening nearly 75 per cent of the patients have returned to gainful employment after treatment.

JOSEPH J. SOTILE ISSUES
HEART STATEMENT

A year-end round-up of the amount of money spent for Heart Research in Massachusetts in 1953 was announced yesterday by Joseph J. Sotile 1954 Heart Chairman in Wilmington.

"Just as business and industry give their year-end report, your Massachusetts Heart Association believes that the people of Massachusetts who contribute to the Heart Fund should be given an accounting of where their money goes and how it is spent," Mr. Sotile said. "Although the Heart Fund's year-round program is three-fold most of the money is put into research where there is greater hope."

"\$142,159.00 was spent for heart research in Massachusetts in 1953. Thirty-four research projects are currently being supported in Greater Boston alone, and, although it would be impossible to describe each and explain it, a brief description of some of the studies follows: Continued studies in rheumatic fever and its control; a possible method of determining the amount of fat in the blood vessels from the fat deposits in the eye; possible causes of coronary thrombosis, treatment for coronary thrombosis; new drugs and the possible value of surgical procedures to treat high blood pressure; the value of psychology for those about to undergo an operation on the heart; the causes of blood clot-

ting and the study and development of newer, safer drugs to dissolve blood clots.

"10 million Americans who are suffering from diseases of the heart know what research discoveries will mean to them and there are many people here in our own community suffering from heart disease who may benefit from heart research this very year," Mr. Sotile concluded.

STATE DEPT. COMMANDER
OF DISABLED AMERICAN
VETERANS RELEASES
REPORT TO THE PRESS

Over \$530,000 was awarded to disabled veterans in the State of Massachusetts during 1953 by the federal government for wartime injuries, D.A.V. State Department Commander George J. Lynch of Dorchester disclosed yesterday as he made public a full report concerning his organization's work during the past year.

"Exactly 10,118 men and women who served their country in time of war," stated Commander Lynch, "were given service by the D.A.V. The federal government, following full investigation of 2530 claims, awarded a total of \$533,765.05 to the veterans, of which \$436,666.46 was retroactive to the date of the original claims."

"The D.A.V. appeared before V.A. rating agencies concerning 4,506 claims and had the Veterans Administration," Lynch continued, "review the cases of 35,562 of former veterans. Meanwhile, our organization actively participated for the benefits of widows of veterans such as death compensation, insurance benefits and burial allowances."

"The D.A.V. in the year 1953 covered the V.A. hospital in Rutland, Roxbury, Brockton, Boston, Northampton, Chelsea Naval Hospital, Chelsea Soldiers Home, Holyoke Soldiers Home, Murphy Army Hospital and the Public Health Hospital in Brighton. We had a sideline view of the problems concerning the veterans of Massachusetts and fully realize they are constantly in

need of assistance.

"It is the aim and ideal of the D.A.V. to enlarge on our work at all times, especially the hospital program for recreation and comfort for those who must lie on the hospital bed. And some of them will face the rest of their lives staring at the ceiling of a hospital room or ward."

Lynch revealed that the Massachusetts D.A.V. spent over \$33,000 last year in their hospital program.

"It is ironic that many of those who have sacrificed a part of their bodies," Lynch continued, "or of their health, in fighting for America's freedom, should also sacrifice the American way of living. We cannot forget their sacrifices. We must not be content to permit America's disabled war veterans to be relegated to our economic scrap pile, to become mere forgotten heroes."

"What must be the reaction of those young men of our nation who observe what happens to the lives of many of those Americans who have paid the price of patriotism, by giving up their youth, and their physical and economic well-being."

"The future welfare of our country is inevitably linked with the welfare of its disabled defenders. Americans who help to extend security for America's disabled defenders also help to fortify America's security. Those who bore arms in the service of the United States and suffer today from their wounds and injuries must not be forgotten."

"The D.A.V. has made rapid strides in its march to lend a helping hand to the disabled veteran, his wife, child or mother. We have not forgotten those who served at San Juan, Meuse Argonne, Sicily, Tarawa and the Bunker Hills of Korea. We only pray we can do more for them."

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PLUMBING and HEATING**ANNOUNCE ENGAGEMENT**

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Murray of Laurel avenue, Wilmington, announce the engagement of their daughter, Elizabeth E. to Mr. George A. Saulnier, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Saulnier of 7 Rockland street, Wakefield.

Miss Murray is presently attending Wilmington High School and will graduate in June.

Mr. Saulnier graduated from Wakefield High School and has served 4 years in the US Navy. He is presently employed by Adam Walker of Wakefield as a plumber.

A September wedding is planned.

WINCHESTER HOSPITAL

Admitting Procedure was the subject of a report submitted by Dr. Roger M. Burgoyne to the Board of Directors of the Winchester Hospital at its regular meeting 2 weeks ago. Dr. Burgoyne has been Admitting Officer since 1946 in charge of the assigning of all accommodations to patients. This is a matter of considerable responsibility as there is usually a waiting list for some accommodations, although admittance can now be obtained on relatively short notice since the recent increase in capacity of the Hospital. At all times an attempt is made to retain a minimum of two beds for emergency cases. Other cases involve availability of beds, consideration of the nature of each case, the patient's preference for private, semi-private or ward accommodations, date of entry and urgency. The degree of the latter may justify priority over earlier applications and involves a careful examination of urgency claims to prevent discrimination and the unfair preference of one patient over another. Dr. Burgoyne spoke highly of the co-operation he receives from the other doctors in his work as Admitting Officer.

Approval was given at the meeting to a new service that was proposed by Harlan L. Paine, Jr., Administrator of the Hospital. Patients who are not in a position to make prompt payments to their accounts may now, in effect, budget their payments through one of the local banks. Under this arrangement the bank will advance to the hospital the full amount of the account. The Bank will then be reimbursed by the patient by partial payments made over a period of time as agreed upon, in keeping with the patient's financial ability. This service has been enthusiastically received by patients in other hospitals and is immediately available to patients of the Winchester Hospital.

Carbon black, an oil and gas product, is being turned out in a small experimental plant at the record-breaking rate of five and a half pounds per 1,000 cubic feet of gas, instead of the standard rate of about three-fourths of a pound. Carbon black is used in ink, shoe polish, carbon paper, and even automobile tires. Particles are so small that just the dot of this "i" has about a billion!

CHURCH TO HONOR ITS YOUTH

The members and friends of the Wilmington Methodist Church will honor their youth during the week set apart as Youth Week. The local church will begin February 7 by organizing a Junior Youth Fellowship for young people from the ages of 9 thru 11. This group will hold its first meeting at the Church, Sunday afternoon, February 7 at 3 p.m. Parents are cordially invited to attend with the young people and a special program is being planned for them at that time.

On Wednesday evening, February 10 at 6 p.m. the Woman's Society of Christian Service are sponsoring a youth banquet. All young people of the church from the ages 9 thru 23, their adult advisors and teachers, are to be honored guests. After the supper the Hollywood produced full length movie, "Lost Boundaries" will be shown as the climax of the evening program.

Concluding the week will be a parents night for parents of the members of the Intermediate and Senior Youth Fellowships. The meeting will be held on Sunday evening, February 14, at 6 p.m. A special program for parents and young people is being planned. The Rev. Richard E. Harding has announced that young people will assist in the worship services both Sundays of youth week. He has expressed his appreciation to the Youth Council recently formed at the church for working on the plans for the above program.

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Anna Caristia to Albert Acrisia, Ballardvale street.

Eleanor J. Chambers to William G. Kavanaugh and wife, Kelley road.

David V. Colbert and wife to William H. Short, Wing road.

Anthony I. Del Torto to John J. Hanrahan and wife, Burlington avenue.

William C. Farmer and wife to Frederick W. Hagman and wife, Clark street.

John J. Farrell and wife to H. Joseph Meehan and wife, Swain road.

Harold F. Garrett and wife to Matthew Mazza and wife, Strout avenue.

Wylie J. Gates and wife to Alfred T. Quindland and wife, West street.

Carl R. Gray, Jr. and wife to Vets' Affairs to Francis R. Ingram and wife, Aldrich road.

William G. Kavanaugh to Eleanor J. Chambers, Kelley road, (2 parcels).

Helen F. Lyons to Melvin L. Cassidy and wife, Burnap street.

Joseph B. McMahon to Joseph A. Cote and wife, Pine Hill Park.

Isabelle McMahon by consrv to Joseph A. Cote and wife, Pine Hill Park.

Birney P. Simpson and wife to James S. Fairweather and wife, Columbia street.

James J. Smalley and wife to Arthur E. Gilman and wife, Main street.

Under Land Registration Act John E. Mazzola and wife to John E. Watters and wife, Kilby street.

Town of Wilmington to John D. Cooke, Fairfield road.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

The Wilmington school committee met briefly, last Wednesday, and before adjourning to attend the Grange Hall, and listen to the High School band, they had several reports from Clifford Good, Superintendent of Schools.

Building Reimbursement
 Good told the committee that there had been a change in state methods of reimbursement for construction of school buildings. The state has always paid 50% of the reimbursement, during recent years, but payment would only start after the school had been completed. Plans are afoot, at present, Good said, to enable towns to get some reimbursement before the school is completed, recognizing that often a large sum of money has been spent. The reimbursement will depend on the amount spent in construction, and chances of the town getting a repayment earlier are excellent, Good reported. He also stated that he has notified the chairman of the Board of Selectmen of this.

High School Plans
 A brief period was spent in examining plans which have been drawn up for addition to the new high school. No estimates of costs have been made, as yet, and the discussion centered on the layout of rooms and facilities, all of which was tentative.

School Accommodations Committee

The School Committee and the School Accommodations Committee had a joint session, in which the second committee was seeking the opinions of the school committee. Several locations, in Wilmington, in which it is thought that schools might be needed within the next 15 years, were discussed, but without attempting to arrive at any decision.

FORMER ARMY CHAPLAIN UNDER GEN. CHENAULT TO SPEAK AT SUPPER

Fred Hagman, president of the Men's Club of the Methodist Church, recently announced that the men's club were putting on a fish and brewis and partridgeberry pie supper at the church on, Thursday night, February 11, 6:30 p.m. Jack Randall and William Butt are in charge of the supper. Wilbur Stavelly is ticket chairman. Tickets are 99 cents and are available to men, women and young people of the community while they last.

The second special feature of the program is the Rev. Jack Fitzsimmons who will speak on the subject: "Two Chaplains AWOL." A talk based on an authentic experience of being AWOL for a year with a Roman Catholic Priest during World War II. Many who have heard Mr. Fitzsimmons will be on hand to hear him again.

S.L.B.A. NEWS

The Silver Lake Betterment Association will hold no meetings during the month of February, it has been announced.

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D.A.V. NEWS

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HUNDREDS MISS TRAIN TO WATCH BUTCH

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ry placed third, losing to Mike Wikstedt of Fitchburg.

Old Timers

None of the members of the Wilmington Skating Club were entered in the Old Timers Derby and interest of the Wilmington ice fans was centered in Al Demers, of Cambridge, an old friend, who works in the Greer plant. Demers strikes a very nice picture on skates, lithe and graceful. He finished third in the first heat of the qualifying trial, but the story in the final was different. The final race, one mile, saw Demers lead for the first eight laps, as was expected to by his Wilmington friends. These same friends had predicted that he would drop behind, at the end of the eighth, as the race entered the tiring stretches, and they were right, but he continued, and finished the course.

Boys Midget

Six boys from Wilmington were entered in the Boy's Midget, but one failed to appear. Kenneth Slater was in the fifth heat, and Paul Lynch, Jr. placed third in the seventh heat, with Michael Weinberg placing third in the eighth. Michael, who placed second, was beaten by the classy Jackie Walters, of Brighton. Paul and Peter Sowden were both in the ninth heat, and Peter placed third. Paul had the misfortune to fall, during the race.

In the semi-finals, Weinberg came in third, in the third heat. When the finals were underway, it was a different story, and Mike came in with the also ran. He was up against some real competition. Both the winner, Bobby Kargman of Belmont, and the second place, Joe Tosi, Jr. of Connecticut are skaters of no mean ability, and from families which buy skates instead of toddling shoes for their youngsters.

Girl's Senior

Wilmington has no entry, this year, in the Girl's Senior. Janet (Backman) Tighe, holder of three North American championships did not enter the races this year.

Girl's Juvenile

Four entries, from Wilmington, for this race. One failed to appear, and the others were Sonya Myrstad, who placed second in the qualifying trial, first heat. Janet Manuel and Gertrude "Pudgy" Cushing, who won the third heat. In the semi-final Joan Crosby, of Stoneham fell, so heavily that she lost her breath, and had to be helped from the ice. Pudgy came in first, in the first heat, and went on to the finals, where she lost after falling twice.

Girl's Junior

Jackie Ashworth, like her older sister skating out of her class came in second in the third heat of the girl's junior qualifying races.

She failed to place, however, in the semi-finals.

Girl's Midget

This is the race that always takes the eye and heart of the fans, and this year was no exception. All the girls were very cute, and some of them were very, very small. In spite of this there was very good form, and very good competition, with many a future champion showing the world how good she was. Mary Frances Tosi of Connecticut, and Joanne Walters, Brighton, both had a large appeal to the crowd, as they made their way along the ice, as did Patricia Hogue, of Pittsfield, who finished before the rest of the girls in her heat were more than halfway around.

Nancy Suater and Celia Spear were wearing the Wilmington colors, and both held up the honor of their home town very bravely, with Celia finishing second in the seventh heat. She didn't win any further, however, and will have to do her winning in the future years.

And that wasn't all.

There are always other attractions to please the fans, in the Silver Skates, other than the races itself. This paper will not attempt to list the attractions, but that of Sgt. George Hunter, of the Boston Police Department is always a favorite with the Wilmington ice fans.

Progress Briefs

The American people, per capita, consume 21 times more petroleum than all the rest of the free world combined, even though this nation's population is only eight per cent of the free world total.

SOUTH OF THE RIVER

Mrs. Jack M. Tuell
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Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Horgan, of Dudley road, left home on January second, for a trip to California. They are visiting Mrs. Horgan's sister, who lives in San Diego. They are expected home sometime in March.

Mrs. Francis Carroll, Main street, is in St. John's hospital, of Lowell, recovering from surgery.

The Mothers' March on Polio, which was held in Tewksbury, last Thursday evening, was very successful, with over \$1100.00 being collected from the whole town. The South Tewksbury section gave over a total of \$281.00. Mrs. John Murphy, of Dudley road, was the captain for South Tewksbury, and the following women were her helpers: Mrs. Joseph Whelan, Mrs. Dorothy Carter, Mrs. John Gleason, Mrs. Guy DeCarolis; Mrs. Calerie Hughes, Mrs. Peter Peters, Mrs. Helen Murphy, Mrs. Winifred Mitchell, Mrs. Mary Leahy, Mrs. Kenneth Knowlton, Mrs. Joseph Beatrice, Mrs. J. Basile, Mrs. Josephine Martin, Mrs. Mary Cormier, Mrs. Ralph Andrews, Mrs. Albert Avery, Mrs. Denis Burnham, Mrs. Helen Hair, Mrs. Rosella Dean, Mrs. Evelyn Plourde, Mrs. Mary Love, Mrs. Blanche Hill, Mrs. Gilda McKiel, Mrs. Mary Gelzinas, Mrs. Evelyn Daly, Mrs. Dorothy McKillop, Mrs. Ralph Patterson, Mrs. Norris Dow.

After the women collected the money, they turned it into their captain, at the Tewksbury Legion Hall, where they were served coffee and doughnuts.

Little Susan Ashwood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Ashwood of Bow street, fell off a chair last Tuesday and broke her collarbone.

A well filled auditorium of children enjoyed a showing of the film, "Peck's Bad Boy at the Circus," at the Shawshen Street school, Saturday afternoon. The movie was sponsored by the Parent-Teachers' Association, and the proceeds will go toward the Scholarship Fund. Pop corn, tonic and candy were also sold. Mrs. Maurice Condrey was the general chairman of the movie, while Mrs. John Murphy was in charge of the refreshments.

The World Friendship Group for Girls, of the South Tewksbury Methodist Church, met at the home of Shirley and Barbara O'Connell, on Saturday evening, for their regular monthly meeting. Judy Palmer was in charge of the worship, Shirley O'Connell was in charge of the program. Mrs. Richard Harding, of Wilmington, who is the Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service Secretary of Youth Work, spoke to the group on various "Home Missions" projects of the Methodist Church. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostesses.

The Youth Fellowship of the Methodist Church enjoyed a "Around the World Progressive Dinner," on Friday night. They flew to Hawaii, at the home of Judy Ebinger, for pineapple juice, then to the home of Judy Palmer, for a dish from Africa, and on to Sally Curtis' for French onion soup, then to the church where Mrs. Clifford Greeno served Italian spaghetti, and the final stop was at the home of Janet Peters, where Boston cream pie was served. Games were played at the various stops, which suited the country they were visiting in their imagination.

St. Mary's Chapel, of St. William's Church, announces the following services and masses, Saturday evening, Confessions, from 7:30 to 8:30. Sunday masses, 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., and 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, the CYO bus will leave from Water and Vernon streets, and the church, at about 7:15 p.m.

South Tewksbury Methodist Church announces the following services and activities. Thursday, Commission on Finance, will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Palmer, 33 Mystic avenue at 8:00 p.m. Friday, The Fellowship group is sponsoring a "Spaghetti Feed," at 7:00 p.m. Saturday Senior choir rehearsal at 7:00 p.m. Sunday, Church school for all ages at 9:45 a.m. Morning worship at 11:00 a.m. Junior Fellowship at 3:15 p.m.

MYF at 4:15, with the discussion to be about "Missions Attitudes." The Lantern Club will meet at 8:30 p.m. Monday, Official Board will meet at the church at 8:00 p.m. Tuesday, Woman's Society of Christian Service, at 8:00 p.m. Mrs. Archie Toothacker will have charge of the program, which is entitled, "Rural Work among the American Negro."

HATHAWAY ACRES BOWLING LEAGUE

Gladys Bickford	81.3
Millie Jansen	76.2
Betty Comeny	75.9
Ruth Ridley	75.2
Team Standings:	
Team	Won Lost
Pioneers	22 10
Powerhouse Five	20 12
Hammis	15 17
Jugs	7 25
High Average	
Gladys Bickford	81.3
High Single	
Gladys Bickford	106
High Three	
Gladys Bickford	269

THE SELECTMEN'S MEETING

The Selectmen, Monday night, discussed a member if subjects, nearly all of which were concerned with financial problems and policies. About an hour was spent in discussion with Town Accountant Robert Peters, concerning the treatment of accounts which will be included in the "unpaid bills" article in the 1954 annual town warrant.

Peters had unpaid bills amounting to \$75 which had come from a local garage, for one department. He told the selectmen that he had understood that the bills were paid, as they went along, from the head of the department, and then these bills came. The selectmen were not particularly perturbed about the fact that the bills came, but that they would not show under their proper classification, in assigning costs to departments, as they would show on an appropriation for 'unpaid bills of past years' Cushing told the Selectmen that the analysis could still be made, in a supplementary manner. There was also some discussion about whether or not the proper purchasing methods had been followed.

Total unpaid bills, Peters said, amounted to about \$2150, as of the moment. He had no way of knowing whether or not others might show up, but he didn't think there might be any.

A letter was received from the Chief of Police, pointing out that that department had overrun its estimate for 1953 because part of the year it was operating on a two vehicle basis, when the estimate was for one, and that the telephone charges were high because of the change to the new station. Peters remarked that nearly all the telephone bills for the town were higher than formerly, and TM Cushing remarked that even the library bills had jumped from \$6 to \$9 and then to a figure of about \$15.

Peters pointed out that the Collector's account had a bill which he had received, in excess of the appropriation. Cushing told the Selectmen that this bill had occurred because of an order from the State Department of Accounts, last summer, over which the local department had no control.

A considerable time was also spent discussing unpaid gasoline bills, from 1951 on, for one department. Peters said that in many instances he had not received proper invoices, and that he had held several conferences with the particular company. He hoped to be able to get the bills settled. They totaled about \$700. On this account Cushing told the Selectmen that the same difficulty existed a year ago, and that the "blue slip" (authorization for purchase) was supposed to take care of this, but apparently it hadn't.

Insurance discussion

Leroy Bedell attended a part of the meeting, which was devoted to a discussion of the insurance policies. In his opening statement Bedell thanked the town for the business that he had enjoyed, and pointed out that a considerable amount was going to out of town firms, when local agents could serve as well, at the same price or lower. "We can do just as good, or cheaper. Is that fair?" He looked at Woods as he spoke.

Bedell told the Selectmen that he had been promised that certain bonds would be handled through his office, if taken from a certain company, but this had not happened, and he named other instances, in addition. The bonds, for the new school were being placed with outside firms, and local brokers were

not getting any of the business Bedell stated.

Cushing stated that he had placed the business with a company which has since folded up. He told Bedell that he (Bedell) had advised against this, and that Bedell was right. Fortunately, the town had ceased to do business with the company before it had to cease operations, and at that time the business was transferred to a broker who lived in another town. The reason for this was that he wished to have all the business with the same company. (Cushing later brought out that this broker had performed a lot of their services for the town, such as the preparing of schedules and folders for use.)

Bedell asked Cushing if there had been any trouble with workman's compensation for which he had been the broker, and Cushing replied: "In the last year No, in the first year we had some trouble"

Bedell was asked if there were any outstanding features of the bonding company which has the business, which the company he represents did not have. His answer was no. At the instance of Charles Black, Bedell named the companies that he represented. Black then said that "This is entirely in the hands of the Town Manager" "Not much we can do now."

Lyons: I don't agree with you: I have always felt that if any one in town could meet the price they should have the business--It might pay to investigate short note cancellation!"

Lawler: "But wouldn't there be a penalty?"

While this was going on, TM Cushing sent Peters out for the bond and insurance schedules, and Block and Lyons then sorted out the accounts, adding the brokerage sums that went to out of town firms, and those that stayed in town. All agreed that in certain cases of fire insurance, the local firms could not meet the "mutual" prices.

The result of the tabulation showed that \$2725.58 went to a local broker other than Bedell, on the auto fleet policy, and that Bedell had brokerage fees of \$2794, on several accounts. A number of policies were with out of town brokers, some of the business being formerly Bedell's. Included were several brokerage fees of about \$500, plus others, amounting in all to about \$1500. Three different fire insurance policies, totaling about \$8400 were not included, because of their contract nature.

Bedell told the Selectmen that he maintained the only office in town that was fully manned, and always available to the citizens. He stated that a lot of his services were intangible, but that it was very convenient for residents to be able to call him at any time for answers to questions.

Selectman Black, in question to Bedell, brought out that the firms he represented also wrote "compulsory indemnity" (auto insurance) and that there was difficulty, in some places in getting this type of insurance, because of the overload, when other types were not carried. Black did not deprecate the compulsory indemnity, but he called the type of work that Bedell was seeking the "cream," and asked if it were not true that if Bedell were able to get some of the "cream" the residents of the town would have an easier time placing their compulsory insurance. This Bedell affirmed.

Black asked Bedell how many agents there were in town. Bedell said that there was himself and one other. Mr. Lyons asked if the other agent maintained an office, in the same manner as Bedell, and he was told that the answer was no. Lyons recommended to the Town Manager, the Assistant Town Manager, and the Future Town Manager that more consideration be given to the local agents. Bedell then left.

Lawler stated that when the changes were made he had an idea that the town made a considerable savings, and Cushing stated that such was the case in Fire Insurance.

Lawler observed that if one man were to have all the business he might become to consider himself in a safe and sound position. He wished that there other brokers in town, just so that there would be competition. "It would be very healthy if we had someone like . . . in town. . . . healthy competition keeps people from going to sleep. I have a feeling that the service was not too good, and that Dean sharpened it up."

Ambulance

Cushing told the selectmen that he and the Chief of Police had billed every person, out of town, who had used the ambulance, in emergency as

service, and that not one cent had been received.

Other business

It was observed that not a single application had been received for new street lights. Several of the selectmen reported that they had had telephone calls about this subject, but that was apparently as far as it went.

Black asked Cushing if he had prepared any plans for sidewalks on Wildwood street. Cushing said that none had been prepared so far. He thought, from a report from the Superintendent of Schools, that the majority of the children in the new Wildwood school would be coming from Parker street and Federal Gardens.

Mrs. Drew drew attention to a condition on Hopkins street, where the street is flooded, after a heavy rain.

Woods wanted to know when the new fire engine was to be delivered. Cushing reported that the date was Jan. 9th, and then added that it should be coming along any day now.

Lawler wanted to know about the status of the detailed budget. Cushing said it would be ready for Tuesday evening. Lawler: "I started agitating about the budget last September - don't you think it could have been ready for the December date?"

Cushing agreed that it could have, except that the 1953 figures would not have been in the budget, and thus it would not have been complete. Lawler continued his questions, and he brought out statements from the Town Manager that the Finance Committee had had a copy of his budget for the last four weeks, but that they lacked enough copies to be able to take the budget home with them. They have had the final printed budget now for about three weeks, Cushing said.

Black spoke about the addition to the new high school. He was highly concerned, lest there be a slip, that would delay the building of the addition for a year. He assured the committee that an article was ready for the warrant, and then asked Mr. Walters to be certain to check certain features of the law. Black also reported that the chairman of the Finance Committee had agreed with the town manager's statement that there wasn't going to be any increase in the tax rate, to which Mrs. Drew said "That isn't the impression that I have gained from talking with some members of the Finance Committee!"

EXPERTS SEES COMPLETE INTEGRATION OF RACIAL GROUPS INTO AMERICAN LIFE

St. Louis The race question in the United States will be solved in "the democratic way that integrates individuals and families as responsible human beings into our growing communities," according to Rev. John La Farge, noted authority and writer on interracial problems.

He indicated that while integration is bound to come, there might be delays. The task is not an easy one. "Ultimately the problem must be worked out from within. Men must learn to know intimately and make their own the mind and spirit of Jesus Christ."

Oil-Derived Chemicals Improve Cotton Fibers

Oil is an able assistant to the textile industry in the field of natural as well as synthetic fibers. Cotton now is treated with an oil-derived chemical to improve its fiber structure and to fortify it against attacks of mildew and bacteria. The chemical, called acrylonitrile, is an important ingredient of many synthetic rubbers, and synthetic fibers like orlon, dynel and acrilan. Its use in treating cotton fibers adds to cotton's desirable qualities without affecting its familiar characteristics. Oil-derived chemicals are so versatile that new jobs are added daily for them to perform for American consumers.

Three of the five catchers on the Philadelphia Phillies' 1954 roster are switch-hitters. Ken Silvestri, Mike Sandlock and Joe Lonnett hit from either side of the plate. Rounding out a well balanced staff, "Smoky" Burgess hits left and Stan Lopata right.

Until 25 years ago, Few wells exceeded 3,000 feet in depth. Today, many wells exceed 10,000 feet. The deepest completed well to date is 20,521 feet and that was abandoned as a dry hole.

CHOW NIGHT TOMORROW

American Legion Post 136 will hold another of its popular chow nights, at the Legion Hall, on Adams street, tomorrow night, beginning at 7 p.m. Tickets may be obtained from any Legion member or Arthur B. Harper, Commander.

WHIST TONIGHT AT V.F.W.

The regular whist party of the Nee-Ellsworth Post, V.F.W. will be held tonight, at the clubhouse on Main street. Refreshments are to be served, and the public is invited.

Smaller sizes of anthracite, the pea, rice or buckwheat used in automatic stokers, have a decided price advantage over any other fuel.

JOHN TILLEY HOME

John Tilley, Glendale Circle, returned home yesterday morning, having completed a four year enlistment in the U.S. Marine Corps, during which he saw service in Korea, the Mediterranean, and the Caribbean.

TREE WARDEN ATTENDS BOSTON MEETING

John W. (Bill) Babine, Tree Warden of Wilmington is attending the Tree Warden's convention, in the Horticultural Hall, Boston, today and tomorrow.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF MASSACHUSETTS LEAGUE SPEAKS TO W.S.C.S.

Mr. Harold Wilson, a resident of Wilmington and Executive of the Massachusetts Temperance League spoke to the members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church at their meeting today. As one of the study areas of Methodist Women the alcohol problem has been one chosen. Mr. Wilson comes out of many years of experience in this field of alcohol education. Recently he served with Dr. Caradine Hooten, chairman of the National Board of Temperance of the Methodist Church.

BALDWIN CIVIC ASSO. CARD PARTY

The Baldwin Civic Association will hold a hostess card party on Friday, the 18th of February, at the high school cafeteria, with play scheduled to begin at 8 p.m. Any friends of the association who would like to be a hostess is asked to contact Mrs. Alan Shepherd or Mrs. Millard Pipes, both of Chestnut street. All proceeds are to be used to further town wide civic affairs in Wilmington.

Progress Briefs

In New England, single-unit, diesel-electric rail buses, costing less to operate than trains, are being tried out on branches where passenger service had virtually or entirely disappeared and where regular passenger train service had been abandoned.

SELECTMEN DISCUSS BUDGET

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Cushing and Lyons agreed that it could be handled properly.

Black wanted to know how much cash the individuals who were being handled would be handling, and Cushing said, "Not too much." Black suggested that a self insurance program might be cheaper, but Cushing reported "The school committee wants protection."

Assessments

Black then pointed out that an item had come to his attention, in regard to the high school. He pointed out that if the assessments in Wilmington, on real estate got too high, "the town might be frozen out" of certain aid, for the high school, and, too, possibly under Chapter 81. Cushing agreed that such a thing was possible, and Black enjoined Cushing to watch that the assessments did not get too high, and that the assessors did not get "too ambitious."

He then proposed that the town not borrow \$1,000,000 in bonds for the new addition to the high school, but instead borrow in the same manner as is done "in anticipation of revenue." He pointed out that the town would only be paying interest on the money actually borrowed, in this manner, and not as in the case of the other school building, and then the entire million had been borrowed, then the time would come to take out the bonds. Cushing agreed with Black, saying that at the present time that was a very good idea. He pointed out that in Gloucester, a sum of money was borrowed "in anticipation of revenue" for 0.927 per cent, instead of something over 2%.

Temporary Assessor

Asst. TM Walters, who is also principal assessor, pointed out that he could not do much in the line of his work, at the present time, due to his other duties. He wanted to know how the board felt about appointing the building inspector as a temporary assessor, pointing out that his duties were light in February. The board agreed to this suggestion, and directed that Ernest Rice be directed to take the Assessor's Oath.

ROSS'S GOOSE

In winter in the valleys of central California one may still see good-sized flocks of small, snow-white geese. The Ross's Goose is about 1/2 the weight of the Lesser



ROSS'S GOOSE

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Snow Goose, which in turn is smaller than the Snow Goose. Ross's Geese are often found in flocks of their larger relatives.

The Ross's Goose is snow-white except for black primary wing feathers, the four outermost of which are margined. The bill is red or pale purple with a black edge and the upper bill is warty or wrinkled near the base, a character not to be found in the Snow Goose. This warty bill gives the bird such common names as "little wavy", "horned wavy" and "scabby-nosed wavy". In flight, the Ross's Goose is usually more quiet than is the Snow Goose. The Ross's Goose is probably the smallest of our geese, being about the size of a mallard.

Ross's Goose is named after B. R. Ross who in 1861 sent specimens to John Cassin who recognized it as a new species. Ross was Chief Factor of the Hudson's Bay Company and had been a correspondent of the Smithsonian Institution. He sent the specimens from Great Slave Lake.

It was not until 1935 that serious efforts were made to discover the nesting ground of this goose and not

until the last day of June 1940 when the actual breeding ground was discovered. The first breeding birds were discovered on a lake which is a tributary of the Perry River about 50 miles north of the Arctic Circle.

The nest of the Ross's Goose is built on the ground and has an overall diameter of about 1 foot. The eggs are laid in a cavity about 2-1/2 inches deep and 5 inches across completely surrounded with a downy rim. The normal number of eggs is 4 but the number may vary from 2 to 6. The eggs are approximately 2-1/2 inches long and nearly 2 inches thick.

Probably the members of the species all nest in a relatively small area but the individual nests are usually at least 3 to 30 feet away from the nest of any other Ross's Goose. The eggs are creamy white.

The Ross's Goose was one of the last of the North American birds to have kept its breeding ground a secret.

In the days of market shooting in California great numbers of these choice-fleshed geese were shot by market-hunters. The size of the flock used to be enormous, some including as many as several thousand birds. There is little doubt but that the numbers have been drastically reduced and it is hoped that measures may be adopted designed to save the species and to restore it to a safe survival size.

Since the winter range is practically confined to California, much of the responsibility for survival depends on Californians. The known breeding range is so small and so inaccessible that it is probably that the future of the species depends almost wholly on the reception the bird gets in its winter range. While the species is protected by law, there are probably less than 5,000 left at the present time.

E. Laurence Palmer

Oil Gilds the Lily

Easter lilies may be lovelier next spring because oil-derived polyethylene sheeting helped give them better storage conditions this winter. Lily bulbs of many varieties are stored in plastic-lined cases with shredded-peat packing material moistened at about half of its total moisture capacity. The peat doesn't dry out, nor is it so wet that bulbs are in danger of rotting. Stronger lily plants, with more blooms, result. Not only lily growers and flowerers are aided by oil and its derivatives, but farmers and food receive enormous benefits from oil industry products.

TAX NEWS

Thomas E. Scanlon, District Director of Internal Revenue for Massachusetts announces that the Internal Revenue Office in Lowell is now staffed with agents to assist taxpayers prepare their 1953 Federal Income Tax Returns.

All who wish to avail themselves of this service are urged to visit the local office at an early date in order that they may be served with the greatest speed.

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A GOOD DAY TO REMEMBER

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir:

I am sending this letter to praise the staff of the Wilmington Crusader. I have been receiving the Crusader for over two years now and have always appreciated reading it. I think that they are doing a wonderful job of sending this paper to all the men in the service. It makes me feel good when I read some news from home.

I would like to make a correction on the address of the last paper which I received. My address is now A/2 George L. Gagnon AF 11240380 6147th M & S Sq. Box 291 APO 70, San Francisco, California.

TWO CHAPLAINS AWOL TO BE TALK

Given at Men's Supper

The Rev. Jack Fitzsimmons, of the Belmont Congregational Church will be the guest speaker at the supper sponsored by the men of the Wilmington Methodist Church on Thursday evening, February 11. A real old fashioned down east supper of fish and brews with partridgeberry pie will be served by Jack Randall and William F. Butt. Wilbur Stavely is in charge of tickets for this program.

Rev. Jack, a chaplain in world war two, tells his personal story of being AWOL with a Roman Catholic Priest for a year. His story is a tremendous message of getting along with people of other faiths and without a minute of some humorous experience they both shared on this years leave without the authority of the then General Eisenhower of General Chenault of the China war theatre.

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SELECTMEN DISCUSS BUDGET

Wilmington's board of selectmen held a special meeting, Friday night, to discuss the budget, as submitted by TM Cushing.

The meeting opened with a question by Selectmen Kenneth Lyons, directed to the TM as to what remained to be done, of primary importance to the town, with regard to reports, etc to be ready before the annual town meeting. Cushing told the board that there were two items, that is making up of various details of the Town Report, and the Town Report itself.

Lyons then asked about the shed, which was supposed to be erected on the town dump property, for the protection to the watchman there. He mentioned that the watchman was forced to keep his truck running, for the heat it afforded, during the bitter cold spells, and that he, Lyons, had been "pushing" for a building there for a long time. Cushing stated that the work had been stopped, because of the snow.

Asst. TM Frank Walters reported that it was thought that the Buck lot, which could not be located previously, had been located. This lot had been offered for sale, at the Selectmen's sale a few weeks ago, but there were no takers. Walters now reported that the last owner was interested in redeeming the lot, that it seemed to be adjacent to the 4 1/2 acre Sweetser lot, off Burlington avenue, and that instead of 7 acres there was good reason to believe that there may be as much as 11 acres in this lot. Dana Perkins is surveying the Sweetser lot, Walters reported, and the survey should be finished within a couple of weeks. Cushing pointed out that if the Buck lot were adjacent to the Sweetser lot it would give the town about 50 acres of land in one piece.

By Laws

It was reported to the Selectmen that the paragraphs of the By-Laws previously reported as "missing" were not included because they had been stricken out by the State's Attorney General, when the rest of the By-Laws had been approved.

Selectmen Black asked Cushing as to his attitude towards proposed By-Laws for the regulation of trailers, and dog kennels. TM Cushing reported that there would be articles in the warrant, for By-Laws on these subjects, and also one regulating hunting, that is prohibiting hunting on land not owned by the individual concerned. He reported that Winchester has a By-Law prohibiting shooting, except on property privately owned by the shooter, and mentioned other towns as well. He then cited the case of a West Wilmington boy who had been shot, this fall, by a hunter who had not investigated closely before pulling the trigger. The boy was on his father's property, Cushing stated. Both Lyons and Mrs. Drew spoke up in approval of such a law. Lyons then asked about the Kennel By-Law, and Black spoke up to say it was a very good idea, and would give the town direct regulation over a touchy subject.

Sewerage

TM Cushing reported that a study, by Charles Palmer, of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, on sewerage questions in Wilmington had been completed. He thought the report was very good.

Mrs. Drew referred to previous statements of the Town Manager, in which he had cited the large sums of money that a sewerage system would cost, and stated that she

thought it might prove too expensive for the town. TM Cushing assured the lady that after the initial investment, there should be enough revenue to take care of the extensions. He stated that his preference for construction cost purposes was a method whereby there would be flat charge, for each place that was served, with the charge to accrue automatically, instead of an assessment based on the number of feet of land owned beside the sewer line. Cushing pointed out that there were large tracts of land owned which were not put to any use, and that the people who owned this land would probably be unfairly taxed, and that in other cases there were a number of houses close together, and that in such cases the town would benefit by a flat charge. Both Mrs. Drew and Mr. Lyons had a few words to say about the cost to people who had recently installed septic tanks. Mrs. Drew thought that the town would have to pay 50 per cent of the costs, and TM Cushing stated that the town would have to pay for the trunk sewer lines. A \$1,600,000 bond is proposed, and it was agreed that there should be an article in the warrant, preparing the way for discussion and eventual vote.

Water Extension

Mrs. Drew enquired if there had been anything done about water extensions this year, and TM Cushing reported that Tom Galvin was the chairman of a committee which was preparing a report. He also reported that in the committee were Daniel White, Bob Evans, Frank Darling and Anthony Mead. Because of lack of information on their report would state, he was allocating a possible \$30,000 for water extensions.

Street acceptance

Mr. Lyons proposed that the committee talk about the acceptance of streets in the 1953 town meeting, and a report, submitted by Superintendent of streets James White was inspected. Streets which White had recommended were approved by the committee for laying out, and they included: Warren and Wrightman roads, 500 feet cost \$500; Warren ave, 300 feet, \$300; Silver Lake ave, 101 Lake street) 400 feet, \$500; Powder House Circle, no cost; Cottage street (Silver Lake) 1200 feet \$1500; Philips avenue, \$500; Virginia road (near Martins Pond) 1200 feet \$1500 (White reported that this street, in Wilmington, unfinished, connected two sections of the same street in North Reading, both of which were finished).

Park road, off Marion street, was also approved, with a cost of \$300. Because there are several streets of this name in town, Mrs. Drew proposed that it be renamed Rogers street. TM Cushing looked up the law and found that the Selectmen could name a street, at the time it was accepted, and the name of Rogers street was agreeable to each of the Selectmen. Selectman Woods quipped that it could be paid for by the family that was being honored, which brought a smile to everyone's face.

TM Internes

Cushing reported that one of the Town Manager Internes, who had worked for the town last summer had made a very fine name for him self, George Thompson, had been taking part in a nation wide examination of "young executives" and had placed among the top 30. He had also received the Phi Beta Kappa.

More Streets

The reading of the street list continued. Dobson street, off Glen road was in the list, with \$3000 allocated, and \$1200 was allocated for Broad street, while North street had \$1500 allocated for 1800 feet.

TM Cushing reported that some other streets were not, as of this time included in the list because the drainage problems had not been solved to the satisfaction of the town. The discussion changed into one about changing the names of streets, generally, in accordance with ideas presented previously, and Lyons suggested that this should be taken up sometime next summer, as it would be too lengthy for the annual town meeting.

Cost of Living Bonus

It was noted that there was allocated, on the budget, a \$12,000 item for cost of living. Black asked if it were true that all wages were being increased 10 percent. Cushing stated that this was not so, and that salary raises were different, in the cases of different individuals. Mrs. Drew proposed that everyone who worked less than 40 hours a week, but still

on a full time basis, be now required to do so, now that the minimum salary was to be \$60 a week for those persons.

Cushing reported that the Finance Committee had disapproved of the 6 percent cost of living bonus. Both Lyons and Cushing thought that it was to the advantage of the town to keep this provision. Asst TM Walters reported that it was his impression that the Finance Committee had thought there was sufficient pay now, for town employees, without the bonus.

Lawler then compared some figures he had with Wilmington figures, taking towns of comparable size, 15 larger, 4 smaller.

	Other Towns	Wilmington
Police Chief	\$3900	\$4100
Fire Chief	2200	4100
(many of the other towns were part time)		
Supt. Streets	4700	4100
Water Supt.	4500	4200
Collector	2950	2600
Treasurer	2600	2600
Town Clerk	1800	2600
(No fees to Town Clerk in Wilmington, and many of the other towns part time)		
Accountant	2600	4200
(Wilmington in second place)		
Public Health Nurse	2400	2800
Town Counsel	700	900
(Top men \$1400)		
Firemen	3300	3200
Patrolmen	3250	3200

Unskilled labor 1.20 hr. 1.25 hr. (Other towns cited had \$1.48, \$1.40, \$1.35, \$1.30)

Lyons again spoke up for the 6 per cent, and the board then agreed that it was in favor of this, with a minimum of \$60 a week for full time employees.

Town Counsel's Pay

Cushing had recommended to the board that the Town Counsel be paid \$1500 for his services. He paid high tribute to the town counsel. Other selectmen demurred, saying that Mr. Buzzell could not be adequately paid, and that he didn't want a large stipend, because his attitude was such that he wanted to perform a public service for his town. After some discussion Lyons moved that \$1000 be set for the Town Counsel, and this was adopted.

Vet's Quarters

A question to the TM revealed that none of the veteran's organizations had filed any article, for lease of veterans' quarters.

New Vehicles

Cushing reported that he was advocating the purchase of three new vehicles, at one time, for the town. Actually, he added, there were five new vehicles under consideration, the additional ones being one for the welfare department, and one for the Fire Chief. The welfare department car, and the Chief's, were not included in the three, because in the first instance, 50 per cent of the cost would be borne by the Federal government, and in the second instance there was \$7000 coming from Civil Defense, which could be so used.

The three cars which the TM wanted were: Another police cruiser, and two cars for the use of town hall employees. Mrs. Drew asked him if he had talked with the Finance Committee about this, and if so what they had said. Cushing said he had talked and they said "No!" Cushing was of the opinion that all three cars should be the same so that they could be alternated in duties and equal wear result.

Mrs. Drew asked if the report she had heard, that the ambulance could be repaired for less than \$500 was true. Cushing said that it wasn't — the sum was \$425—but it would still be an old ambulance.

Budget Figures

Mrs. Drew asked Cushing about the figures which he had in the budget, enclosed in the brackets, by which it meant that he intended to take this money from the Excess and Deficiency account. She wanted to know how he intended to transfer all this money, amounting to well over \$100,000 from the E&D account, which had about \$130,000 in it, when it was well known that about \$80,000 of this money had already been promised for the new school on Wildwood street.

Cushing stared at Mrs. Drew, for about 30 seconds. Lyons then asked "What money?" Mrs. Drew spoke to Lyons. "You know very well what money, it was you who proposed the idea, right here is a Selectmen's meeting!" "The school building committee wants \$77,000, and I can't see how you are going to get \$77,000 and over \$100,000 from \$130,000!" The discussion lasted for a few moments and then subsided, without any new points being raised.

Tax Rate

Lyons asked Cushing if the tax rate would be lowered a dollar this year. Cushing said that it would remain about the same.

Addressograph

Mrs. Drew wanted to know when the addressograph would be put to work. Assistant TM Walters reported that the last parts would probably arrive in about a week. Cushing stated that there would probably be a small room built, in the town hall, to house the addressograph, because of the noise it makes while running.

Fluoridation

Mr. Lyons wanted to know, the latest on the proposed fluoridation of the town's water supply. Cushing reported that all action was being held in abeyance, pending decisions in the state house. Lyons thought that it might be good business to transfer the \$1250 in this account to other accounts, while waiting for the decision, with the idea of transferring the money back, later, if needed. The other selectmen agreed that it might be good business, but that it wouldn't be very smart, because of the feelings such a move might arouse. Lyons pointed out that the money was sitting there "not being used."

Secretary Resigns

Cushing reported that his secretary, Mrs. Doris Cady, was resigning of the first of March.

Selectmen's Expenses

The Selectmen's expense item was discussed, and a number of sums were allocated, including one of \$1000 for Selectmen's land sales, this year. Total decided on, as of the moment, was \$3,495.

Insurance Discussion

Black referred to an item the TM had for bonding costs, for town employees, and wanted to know if this item would also go to an out of town firm. He could not understand why this should be. Cushing said he wanted to keep all this business in one company, for good business practices, and Black pointed out that there were agents in Wilmington, for the company involved.

Lyons then joined the conversation, and agreed that, everything being equal, the local agents were entitled to the business.

There was some discussion about how the costs could be allocated, so that Town Accountant Peters could keep the cost accurately allocated. The trouble would result, it was reported, in that the accountant had to keep his costs on a yearly basis, and the charge, as it would come would be for three years.

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MCKELVEY ASSAILS MORTGAGE INTEREST RATES

Harold W. McKelvey, well known South Wilmington resident, assailed the practices and rates, involved in second mortgages, in an unopposed hearing held in the state house on January 25th. McKelvey appeared in support of his bill, House 502, which would limit the amount of interest chargeable on second mortgages. The hearing was held by the Committee on Banks and Banking, and passage of the bill was vehemently urged by McKelvey, who excoriated the money-lenders for their ruthless tactics and practices.

Submitted by Representative Frank D. Tanner, of Reading, at the request of McKelvey, the bill was read in the house, and then assigned to the committee on Banks and Banking for public hearing. McKelvey, alone, appeared in favor and he summarized the arguments against what he termed unscrupulous and usurious practices. His shafts of scorn were aimed at the second mortgage real estate lenders, who he termed manipulators, charging excessive and inordinate premiums for money borrowed. He placed them in the category of extortionists and vulturous demons, and he demanded that "this business be put under proper control".

"The unscrupulous methods and excessive interest rates charged by these lenders demoralize men's courage, self-reliance and place them helplessly in debt, facing home foreclosure and ruin, he said. "These

money lenders are masters in the art of deceit. Their advertising borders on fraudulent and misleading which reveals conclusively their arrogance in the intention to cheat and defraud".

Summarizing his arguments, McKelvey termed the money lenders as greater oppressors and spreaders of tyranny than the Communist officials of the Kremlin", charging that at present these base operations are not controlled by any law of Massachusetts.

After the public hearing the Committee on Banks and Banking took the bill under advisement.

FIRE ROUTS NINE PERSONS FROM HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Nardone, and their family of seven children are living in a small camp, which stands in back of their home, at 26 Butters Row, as the result of a fire, last Saturday, which destroyed part of the upper portion of their home. The family of seven children ranges from a 10 year old daughter to the youngest, seven month old Corinne.

The blaze was first reported at 10:05 a.m., and Wilmington fire trucks 1, 2 and 5 battled the blaze for two hours, while a truck from Reading, under Chief Hugh Eames covered the Wilmington station.

There was extensive water damage in the lower part of the house, in spite of the efforts of the fire department to protect furniture, etc. with canvas. Cause of the fire has not been determined.

CANDIDATES SPEAK AT BALDWIN CLUB

Nine of the thirteen candidates for election in March were present at the clubhouse of the Baldwin Civic Association, last night, to speak on the issues as they saw them. The clubhouse was well filled with listeners, who were much interested in the proceedings.

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the Board of Selectmen was absent, attending a committee meeting in the Roman House. Warren Willis, of the Association read a message from Mr. Black, which pointed out that he had served the town intelligently, for many years, and that he hoped to be able to continue to do so. He believed the town had benefited as a result. He was in favor of continuing the present form of government, and hoped that the very best man could be chosen for the next Town Manager.

E. Hayward Bliss. Believed there should be more co-operation between the Town Manager and the Board of Selectmen, and pointed out that if the TM ran over his appropriations it was because the town accountant, who was an appointee of the selectmen had not fully co-operated. A firm believer in the town manager form of government.

Nicholas De Felice. Believes in a full time Town Manager form of government, and a better relationship between the town manager and the Selectmen. Looks for more efficiency, more schools, garbage collection, sewers, and a sub fire station at the Lake. "Time to get on the ball" he said. He pointed out that Wilmington would be getting industry, whether or not we had a town manager form of government, but that industry should be diversified. He wants a progressive and financially sound community.

James Duggan. Mr. Duggan was absent, attending a board meeting in his union. In his absence, Larz Neilson spoke, saying that Mr. Duggan was a member of a family that had lived here all his life, and that he believed Mr. Duggan was a person who would always speak his mind. He did not know what Mr. Duggan's platform was.

Frank Hagerty. A firm believer in Town Manager form of government, and is at present serving on the board of health. Wants to be able to serve the town. Believes Wilmington will continue to grow, and that serious problems should be solved, even if it does send the tax rate up. Among the problems are garbage collections, and recreation facilities. Pointed out that there are a number of developments, in which there will be a serious need, in a few years, for recreational facilities, when children get to be 10 to 12 years old. He does not believe in "playing with factions." Selectmen should work hand in glove with the other departments.

Larz Neilson. Believed that there were a number of problems to be solved. One of these was that of the smaller business man, who, Neilson stated, believed that they were not being fairly treated, and Neilson stated that he wanted to be able to go into this thoroughly. These men could be right, and they could be wrong, and the only way to find out is to be in a position where he could do so. A firm believer in diversified industry, and approved highly the town managers efforts in this direction. Neilson said that he was an independent thinker, who would always take his own position on any issue, from the viewpoint that he believed best for the town. He had done so in the past, and would do so in the future.

Although he had been critical of certain items during the last few years, Neilson thought that the Town Manager plan had worked very well.

Moderator
Ralph H. Currier. Absent on account of previous engagement. Warren Willis spoke on Currier's qualifications, saying that Currier has done untold work for the town as town clerk, as a representative, and in many other capacities. "No one questions his integrity, and that the town has benefited by his having served in public office."

Simon Cutter. Compared politics to the fog that was outside. No one could learn the issues unless they were able to talk with the candidates. Thought that Baldwin Civic Association was performing a distinct public service by having candidates down to open meeting. Cutter stated that a moderator must be a fairminded person, who would recognize that many people do not fully comprehend the rules of a town meeting, and that he must not use his technical powers to shut up a citizen, who wished to speak, but rather to help that citizen. The issue had only one thing to be considered, Cutter said: That the moderator

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should be a man who was in sympathy with the common man. Cutter stated that he believed he would be that type of moderator.

School Committee

Grenfall Bickford. Absent because of business reasons. Frank Hagerty, a neighbor, spoke for him. Said that Mr. Bickford was a fine man, who had a growing business, and was very much interested in school problems. He was not authorized to speak for Mr. Bickford, but felt that he had good qualifications for the school committee.

Ernest M. Crispo. Absent because of business reasons. John Hartnett spoke for him. Said that Mr. Crispo had been a member of the Board for many years, and understood the problems of the schools. He was not authorized to speak for Crispo, he said, but felt that everyone knew of his record, and how he stood.

John Hartnett. Pointed out that he had been a member of the school committee for six years, and that during that time the schools had progressed. He pointed to the Rhinehart system, now being used, and to the Adult Evening School, both of which he had voted for. Wilmington had had a number of school problems, and they are in their way to being solved, with the building of the Wildwood school, and plans for others. "If elected I will be in there all the time, doing what I think best for the children of this town."

John Joseph Slater. Never asked anyone for favors, and never will. A resident of Wilmington since 1940, and his wife was of a family that had been her since 1902. Took an active part in Wilmington's progress. Was the second president of the Parent Teachers' Association, and, with Charles Chipman and others was instrumental in starting the cafeterias in Wilmington schools, starting with that in the Whitefield school, which has since been taken over by the school committee, and is ably run by them. Was a member of the original town manager study committee, and served there 18

months, reporting back in favor of the town manager plan. Had participated in many civic organizations, and would do his best for the children of Wilmington, if elected to the school committee.

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James Pipes. Disappointed that we was the only candidate for the Wilmington Housing Authority. Not too much glory in the position, but responsible to the town for the operation of a project in which the town had \$150,000 invested. Believes the men on this committee very capable, and will appreciate the vote he receives on election day. After the candidates had spoken there was a question and answer period. Among the questioners was William McKelvey, of South Wilmington who wanted to know the attitudes of the selectmen candidates towards water extensions, particularly towards the growing industrial region in South Wilmington.

Each of the candidates was in favor of water extensions, and of wellfield development, with the possible exception of Neilson, who stated that he was not in favor of extending the water mains beyond the "mountain" in South Wilmington. He thought that this would be too expensive, and that people who lived beyond this "mountain" should get their water from the Woburn mains.

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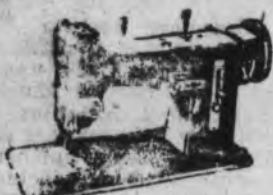
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